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Laker volleyballers capture regional crown



For the second consecutive year, the Elkton - Pigeon - Bay Port volleyball team earned a berth in the Class C state semi-finals. The event is scheduled this Saturday at Delton Kellogg High School, located between Battle Creek and Kalamazoo.

Coach Irene Green's spikers will meet defending state champion, Berrien Springs in a showdown between the top two ranked teams in Class C at 2:30 p.m. The championship match is scheduled for 5:30.

The Lakers achieved a very successful season by anyone's yardstick as they posted a 56-3 overall record so far this year in addition to winning three invitational tournament championships and the district and regional titles.

At left, after being presented the regional trophy, the team proudly displays a sign showing where they are from.

Laker Board eyes curriculum changes

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

Curriculum improvements in all levels of the Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port School system dominated discussion at Monday night's meeting of the Laker Board of Education.

Possible modifications in the academic program were presented to the Board with the suggestion of Board evaluation in terms of added cost with the deadline for any millage increase requests drawing near.

Possible changes include:

- Including more high school course offerings to ninth graders, though the students would remain in the junior high building for most classes;
- Changing the high school and junior high from a six-hour day to a seven-period day with beginning and dismissal times of the school day remaining the same;
- Providing a greater number of computers for high school use;
- Adding foreign language instruction at elementary through high school levels;
- Hiring an elementary guidance counselor;
- Instituting a sex education program taught by a registered nurse;

The current millage rate in the Laker district compares favorably with surrounding school systems, noted Board President Merlin Farver as he advised fellow board members that any request for a millage increase would have to be decided at next month's meeting.

"The residents of our school district are getting a terrific bargain in comparison to neighboring districts," Farver said.

NEW UNIFORMS: Members of the Laker Band Boosters used a pair of high school band members to model two possible choices for new concert and marching uniforms. The main difference between the two choices was the length of the marching band jackets.

BAND BEGINNERS: A possible change in the time for

elementary band practice was presented to the Board. The current situation involves band director William Denbrock traveling to each of the three elementary schools to work with fifth and sixth grade band students.

That practice has created problems with finding an activity for the students not involved in band without depriving band students of that same experience.

At the present time 24 fifth graders and 33 sixth grade students are involved in band training.

One possible solution would be to transport the elementary band members to the high school at 8 a.m. for band class. The musicians would then be transported to their elementary centers in time for start of classes there.

One drawback of that plan would be changing the high school band class to a later period, which could cause a conflict for those students who are also involved in vocational classes which begin at 9 a.m.

Elementary Education Director Fred Joles was instructed to set up an trial program to determine if the plan will be satisfactory.

ACCREDITED: A letter from North Central Association was read which noted that the Laker School district was accredited without any deviations. Only 167 of the 403 NCA accredited schools achieved that level of excellence, the letter stated.

SNOW DAYS: Superintendent Harry Brunet informed the Board it has the option not to make up snow days this year if it so chooses. At the present time, five days are slated to be rescheduled. Brunet assured Board members that the school's Easter vacation would not be shortened or eliminated to make up snow days. Beginning next year, state law requires that all school days that are cancelled must be rescheduled, Brunet added.

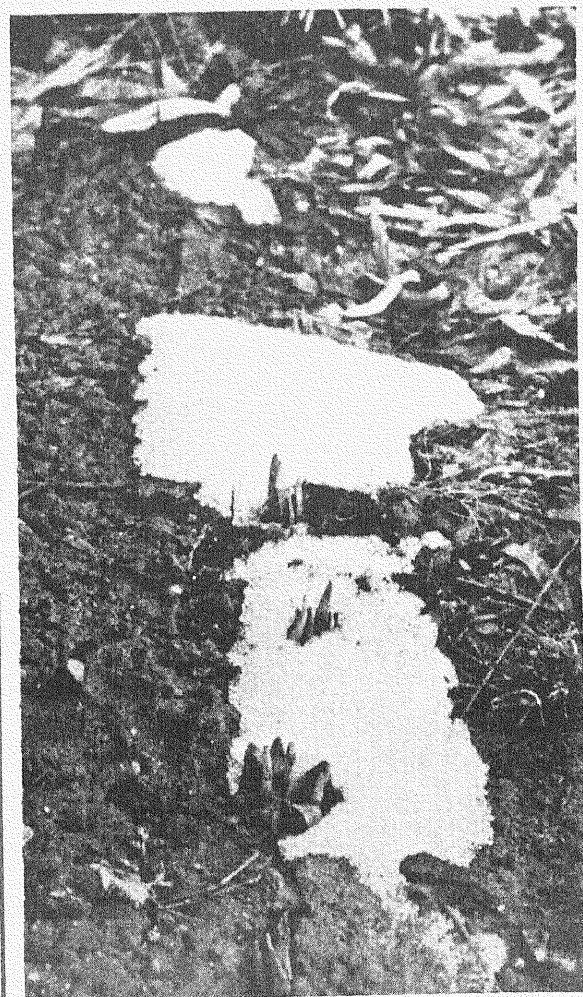
BOARD VACANCY: The terms of board members Farver and Sid Smith will expire at the end of the present school year. The deadline for filing nominating petitions for the positions is April 8.

Following the meeting, Farver stated he will not seek reelection, while Smith said he is leaning toward running for one more term on the Board. The school election is slated for June 10.

OTHER ACTION: Board also:

- Accepted with regret the resignation of Bay Port Elementary Third Grade teacher Marie Ruby, who taught for 20 years in the Laker district and also taught for 18 years out-of-state;
- Received a report from Brunet that lockers in the boys locker room need to be replaced at a cost of \$14,000;
- Approved presentation of a plaque of appreciation to Brunet for his construction work on the landscaping berm in front of the high school. The plaque, presented by former Board of Education President Gary King, will be attached to the berm. It reads, "Conceived & constructed by Harry J. Brunet - 1982."

Sign of spring ?



With the recent warming trend in the Western Thumb area, after months of frigid, snowy weather conditions, even outdoor plants seem to be eager for spring.

These determined crocus plants, pictured above, pushed their way through a thin layer of snow still blanketing the ground to capture some of the sun's warming rays.

RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTO

No surprises in elections

Voter turnout was very light in Monday's village elections, as no ballot opposition was found for three two-year Council or Village President terms.

In Pigeon, incumbent Republican Fred Orr was top vote-getter with 64. Newcomer Cliff Pobanz got 61 and Bob Fluegge 60 for the remaining two terms.

Pigeon Village Clerk Robert Brown, Jr. was elected with 54 votes. All are

Republicans. About 15% voted.

In Elkton, Village President Elmer Ropp was top vote-getter with 54 votes, as about 10% of those eligible voted.

DeDe Russell got 48 votes, Gordon Stirrett 45 and Fred Santos, Sr. 33 for the three terms. Russell and Santos are incumbents, while Stirrett formerly served as a Council member.

All are Republicans, except Santos, a Democrat.

Cancer patients learn: 'I CAN COPE'!

Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon will offer an "I Can Cope" program beginning in April, to assist cancer patients and their families in dealing with the disease and its treatment.

The program, which begins April 9, will consist of eight two-hour sessions in the hospital conference room with the following topics covered: expression of feelings, self-esteem, living up to one's potential, coping with daily health problems, nutrition, exercise, fears, sexuality and other subjects of interest.

In recent years, the approach to the cancer patient by the health care community has emphasized open communication, full disclosure and education about the disease. The American Cancer Society's program, "I CAN COPE" is an educational program unique for its focus on cancer patients' role in their own health care.

Physicians, nurses, clergy, lawyers, dieticians, counselors, physical therapists and social workers are all involved to provide professional guidance and information to the patients and families who attend. Each class has a guest instructor and usually includes a basic format of introduction, review, lectures, discussions and/or audiovisual materials.

All sessions are free, explains Frank Francomb, director of Scheurer Hospital Community Rela-

tions Department, which is sponsoring the program jointly with the American Cancer Society.

The program is designed to help the participants focus their attention on the positive aspects of their lives, according to Francomb. Through learning, education and dealing with problems, the participant is encouraged to become active in his or her own health care. Through an informal

classroom environment, cancer patients and families get information and support that will help them through difficult times.

Facilitators for the program will be: George Mayol, M.D.; Paul Greedy, R.D.; Hospital Dietary Services; Mary Moore, M.A., psychologist; Linda Messing, R.P.T.; Janis Buerker, social services director of Scheurer Hospital; Frank Francomb, community rela-

Summer students sought for HISD

Interviews for selection of students to attend Summer Institute is slated for Tuesday, March 19 at the Huron Intermediate School District Office.

High school sophomores and juniors with outstanding talents in the arts and sciences are invited to apply.

Summer Institutes for the Arts and Sciences are conducted in cooperation with the intermediate school district superintendents and five universities. The institutes will accommodate 490 students on the campuses of Eastern Michigan University, Grand Valley State College, Central Michigan University, Northern Michigan University and Saginaw Valley State College. Three students will be selected from the Huron Intermediate School District.

Applications must be sent through the local high school to the Intermediate Office by

Top rating for LJH Band

The Laker seventh and eighth grade band, directed by Bill Denbrock, received a top first division rating in district competition Saturday at North Branch.

The band competed in Class D in the festival, sponsored by the District III Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association. They earned first ratings from all three of the concert section judges and a two rating in the sight reading section, resulting in an overall top first rating.

The young musicians now have advance to state competition in Saginaw on May 4.

New post office site?

Caseville residents may be taking care of their postal needs in a new building in the future, if a new site can be located for the Caseville Post Office, according to Postmaster Jeanine Tait.

In order to expand present services, the Postal Service is looking for a property site to house a new post office for Caseville. According to the U.S. Postal Service, it will be a leased building built to Postal specifications. Desired site size is 110-125 foot frontage by a depth of 175-200 feet, or approximately 25,000 square feet. Other sizes will be considered but any site must be able to legally hold the septic field, if required, building and parking area and be properly zoned or capable of being rezoned to permit a post office.

A sample letter option is available at the Caseville Post Office. Those having property they would like to have considered are asked to complete the option form.

Offerors must own or control the property they submit. Names and terms of offers will not be made public, except for the site that is selected. The Postal Service reserves the right to reject any and all offers. If a site contains an old building, it would be considered, leaving demolition up to the purchaser.

All offers must be submitted by March 31 to: Robert T. Wilkes, Jr., Real Estate Specialist, Sr., Real Estate Field Office, 3000 Town Center, Suite 280, Southfield, MI 48075-9991, phone (313) 226-6332 or 356-1588.

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Thumb Weekly News Round-Up

350 LOCAL FARMERS MAY BE FORCED TO SELL FARMS

As many as 350 farmers in Huron, Tuscola and Sanilac Counties may be forced to sell their farming operations or face foreclosure soon, according to estimates by County Cooperative Extension Service agents.

At least 8% of the 3300 primary local farmers in the three-county area now face a severe financial crunch, meaning spring plantings may be impossible because they cannot borrow operating funds.

Tuscola County Extension Agent Bill Bortel estimates 10% of his county's 900 full-time farmers are at "a point where they might not be farming this year," he told the Cass City Chronicle. If things don't change in the next three years, nearly a third of Tuscola County farmers may be in the same position because there is no profit in farming now.

Huron County Extension Agent Andy Sommers says about 8% of his county's farmers are in severe financial difficulty. Normally, up to 3% would be facing major money problems in an average year. Some farmers will have to decide to make changes in their operations or soon be faced with being forced out.

ELKTON THEFT ITEMS FOUND

A portion of \$12,000 in computers and office equipment stolen March 1 from Thumb Wood Products, Cleveland Street, Elkton, has been recovered damaged, according to local police. An east side window was entered early that day, and a computer with two disk drives, terminal, printer, calculator, copy machine and other office equipment were reported missing.

Several pieces of that equipment were found discarded along a roadway, police said, and are completely ruined.

M-24 COMPROMISE NEAR?

A final decision on construction plans for the long-proposed M-24 highway extension is expected within a month, as state and local officials hope a compromise can be reached to begin building work.

Earlier this year, the state Department of Transportation acknowledged the 20-year-old project might be delayed again, because of limited funding for new construction. Now State Rep. Dick Allen (R-Fairgrove) and others say the governor's office is encouraging the project, noting other lobbying for the project is being done. Allen says a compromise providing for reconstruction money this year in exchange for a delay on new construction could be possible.

The roadway would continue M-24 from its present terminus at Caro northward to Unionville, linking to M-25 heading north to Sebewaing and Caseville.

ERICKSON FINAL U.P. CANDIDATE

Owendale-Gagetown Public Schools Superintendent Ronald Erickson is one of six finalists in the running for the superintendent's position at Manistique Area Schools in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

A decision is expected by April 1, to allow the new superintendent to work with retiring Manistique chief Richard Bonifas.

Erickson has been Owen-Gage Superintendent since 1975. He earned his educational specialist degree from Central Michigan University in 1981 and is currently a doctoral candidate in educational administration from Western Michigan University. He is married and has five children.

COURT PROCEEDINGS

In recent activity in Huron County 73rd District Court, First Division, Judge John Schubel heard these pleas and actions:

Wendell Stoller, 21 of Sebewaing, was found guilty by jury of furnishing alcohol to minors; sentenced to 10 days in jail and ordered to pay \$200 fines and costs, following a Dec. 15 incident involving wine and beer investigated by Sebewaing Police.

Terry L. Walther, 30 of Caseville, pled guilty to impaired driving; fined \$350 plus costs and loss of driving privileges for 90 days.

WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS ON

Even with Monday morning's heavy snow, weight restrictions are in force for all Huron County Roads. It's a sure sign that spring is coming, since thawing roadbeds are protected until excessive water supplies are removed naturally.

Effective immediately, axle loads are reduced to 11,700 pounds for a single-axle, dual-wheel truck, down from the normal 18,000-pound load, according to the Huron County Road Commission.

Tandem-axle trucks are reduced to 16,900 pounds on regular routes and to 20,800 pounds on specially-marked routes, down from 26,000- and 32,000-pound normal figures.

CASEVILLE COTTAGE BURNS

Losses could total \$75,000 following Saturday afternoon's fire at a summer home on Port Austin Road owned by Robert Clark, Royal Oak. Caseville Township Firemen were called to the scene four miles north of the village about 3 p.m., after a passerby saw smoke.

The cottage was vacant at the time of the fire and had been recently remodeled. Firemen say the fire may be electrical in origin.

COUNTY WORKER PACT OKAYED

Huron County employees and the County Board of Commissioners have formally okayed a contract providing at least \$500 the first year, \$525 the second year and an average of \$500 the third year in pay raises for nearly all county workers represented by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.

Some workers will receive up to \$2000 in increased wages the first year, as similar job classifications are "equalized" in pay rates, according to Personnel and Policies Committee Chairman Calvin Reibling of Elkton.

Workers in the county building and Probate Court approved the pact Feb. 14, while the County Board passed it last Tuesday. Friend of the Court workers have not yet ratified

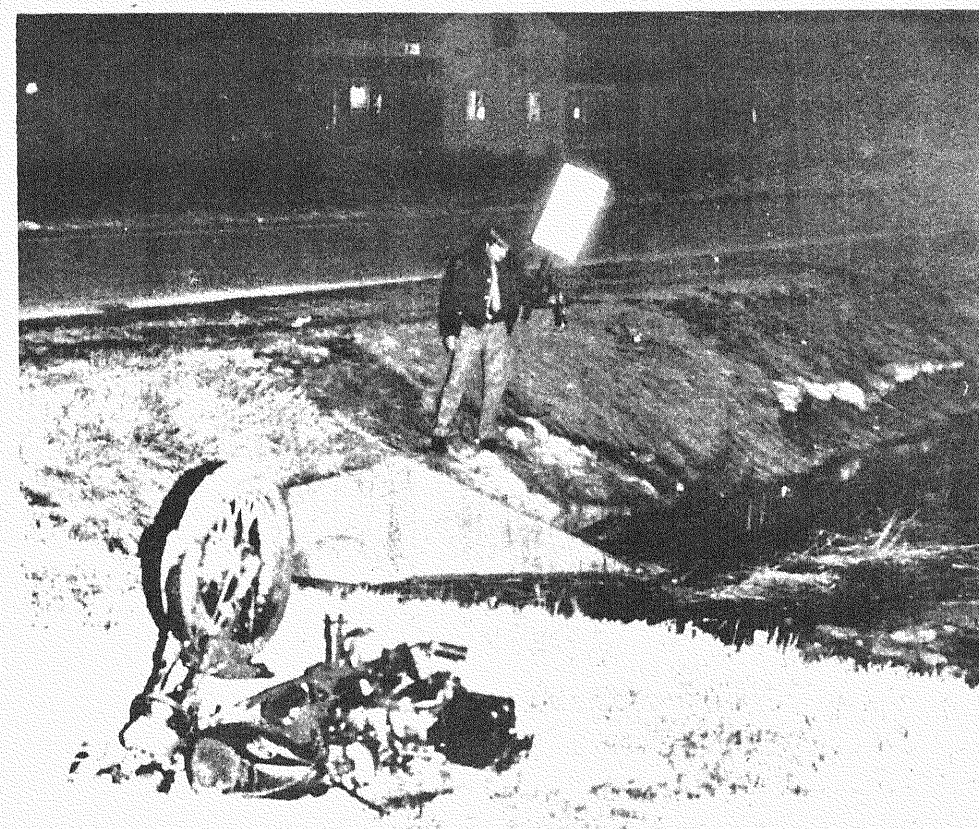
INJURED: Two Bay Port residents were injured Sunday night when their motorcycle collided with an auto at the corner of Bay Port Road and M-142 west of Pigeon.

Walter Haire is listed in fair condition at University of Michigan Hospital, Ann Arbor, after he was taken by air ambulance to the facility for extensive treatment. His wife, Cheryl, is listed in stable condition with two fractured legs and lacerations at Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe.

The couple was riding a motorcycle and collided with an auto driven by Delmar Gunden of West Virginia, formerly of Bay Port, about 8:45 p.m. Sunday at the intersection. The motorcycle struck the passenger side of the auto and broke apart.

Both Haires landed in the northeast ditch, and Scheurer Hospital Ambulance personnel waded into the water to rescue them. Huron County Sheriff's Deputies and Sebewaing Police were at the scene and have yet to file official reports at press time Tuesday.

Here, the photo shows Deputy Dick Neumann pointing a flashlight to where the two persons landed following the accident, with portions of the motorcycle in the forefront.



Elkton firms up trash pick-up time

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

Elkton village residents can expect a more definite garbage pick-up time in the coming year, following Village Council's decision to

award the trash collection contract to Gateway Sanitation of Almont.

At last Tuesday's meeting, Elkton Council accepted the low bid of Gateway over the only other bid submitted by

Cove Sanitation of Bad Axe. The Gateway proposal offered a price of \$2.25 per household, compared to a \$2.85 per stop bid by Cove. The new trash collection fee represents a decrease from the \$2.60 per stop fee under the contract with Cove during the past year.

Another consideration by Council involved in making the bid was narrowing down the time of day that the trash would be picked up. Council members said that problems were experienced in the past year with garbage that was located at the curb early Thursday morning, but not picked up until that afternoon.

Gateway representatives said pick-up will be assured each Thursday morning, and advised residents to put trash at the curb by 8:30 a.m. for pick-up. The new contract takes effect immediately.

MORE BIDS: Council also accepted the low bid from Lee Steinman Agency of Pigeon for the village insurance package. Steinman said the insurance plan, offered for \$11,729 per year for two years, is a renewal of the current package in effect for the village.

The only other insurance bid received was from Gorney Insurance of Bad Axe for \$14, 120 per year. Under the Gorney proposal, the two year premium required advance payment to lock in that price for the multi-year time period.

COMPLAINTS: Council heard a presentation by Riverview Mobile Home Court owner Tom DeBoer, who asked to have his sewer charge decreased. The mobile home park is located outside the village limits and uses only the village sewage system, as it has its own water supply.

DeBoer noted his sewer charge increased 72 percent during the past 16 months. He said the original rate was based on one and one-half times the charge for a single family residence.

Councilman Neilan Hoffman noted the rate increase occurred when a special rate was instituted for multiple-family dwellings. He added that the increase was the result of the extra water being consumed, rather than

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OBSERVATIONS BY PUBLISHER MARK RUMMEL AND ANYBODY ELSE HE CAN GET TO WRITE 'EM!

SHOULD BE FUN -- About the time you're reading this, the entire crew from the Rummel Ranch will be headed to Florida for a few days' vacation. Next week's issue will be the fifth Sally and I have missed since 1978, but you'll still see some of us in it (since we've been working ahead to produce copy, columns, editorials, etc.)

We're confident News Editor Rich Swartzendruber, Ad Manager Deb McBride, Production Chief Bill Esch, Ad Pastor-union Queen Donna Jacobs and the rest of the crew will do really well. And it's especially fun to read a paper we DIDN'T mostly put together! Other folks get to do that each week...

SARAH AND ANDREW UPDATE -- Sally and I just wouldn't be happy vacationing unless four-year-old Sarah and eight-month-old Andy came along. It's tempting to go off on our own, but it wouldn't be as much fun!

Sarah greatly enjoys pre-school, but she's looking forward greatly to swirling around in "the Mad Hatter's Cup ride" at Disney World. She loves dressing herself, playing with her imaginary friends Alex, Alvin, Miguel and others -- and helping Mom and Dad take care of Andy.

Sarah's favorite game is playing "queen of the mountain" alone outside on the tall snowbanks around our house. She also loves making tent houses out of family room pillows and she regularly beats Dad (and Mom) at board games such as "Memory," "Chicken Out!" and "Hungry Hippos."

Andy is truly our "joy boy." He's a plump, sweet smiler. If you're holding Andy, he's happy. He loves moving around the kitchen in his walker, inspecting the trash basket and other "no-no's."

Young Andy also loves to sit alone in his playpen, watching the cuckoo clock and other moving things. He idolizes Big Sister Sarah, and the feeling is mutual.

We're truly blessed with these sweeties!

SPEAKING OF RUMMELS, father Walt Rummel of Sebewaing had quite a day Monday. He was invited to participate in President Reagan's press conference detailing foreign affairs and centering on the sudden death of Soviet leader Chernenko.

He got a telegram from the White House last Thursday, inviting him to a 9 a.m. press briefing Monday, just five days later, as part of President Reagan's meeting with small-town publishers. Lunch and a reception followed.

For those folks who can recall 1962, Dad R. was a guest of President John F. Kennedy at a similar lunch for Michigan publishers then.

So, we're proud of our younger -- and slightly older -- Rummel generation!

WISH I'D SAID THAT -- Walton's Law of Politics: "A fool and his money are soon elected."

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As we see it editorially

Is buckling up a good idea?

Last week's passage of our state's mandatory seat belt law in the Michigan Legislature is a good step forward at first glance, much as the mandatory use of motorcycle helmets has saved lives on our highways. We've wondered for years why so many people choose NOT to use seat belts, since they've been proven to be life-savers time and time again.

Starting July 1, all state drivers and front-seat passengers who aren't wearing seat belts and are stopped for other reasons will be fined \$10. After next January 1, the fine jumps to \$25. Police can't stop vehicles simply to check seat belt use, according to the law signed Friday by Gov. James Blanchard.

Experts say mandatory seat belt use can cut the number of car-rider deaths and injuries by more than 50%. Blanchard says it is "one of the most important traffic safety measures ever adopted in this state."

Obviously, he's right.

Michigan becomes the fifth state in the union to approve such a law -- and 20 others are considering such laws. As Secretary of State Richard Austin points out, the law "saves Michigan's most precious resource -- people."

We admired our Governor's truthfulness at Friday's bill-signing. He admitted his family has started wearing seat belts within the last 18 months. "Personally, I don't like seat belts. They're sometimes uncomfortable. But it's better to be safe and a little uncomfortable than the alternative."

Isn't that how most people react to seat belts? A recent national study showed barely 10% of motorists use seat belts regularly. Just 10%! But their value is more worthwhile than the alternative.

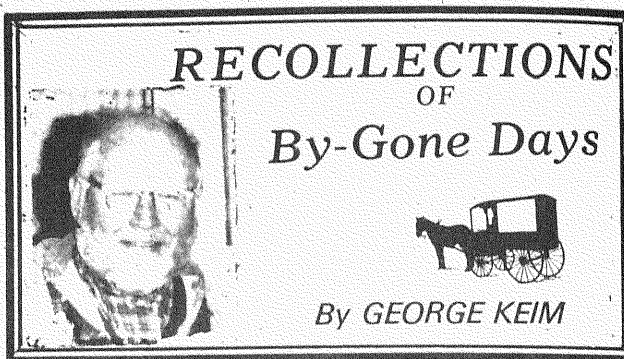
Perhaps a valid case can be made that requiring mandatory use of seat belts is illegal. The reasoning goes that a person can choose to be injured, if they wish. After all, it's their life, right?

And if a person chooses not to put on his or her seat belt, injuries are borne by them only, they reason. That's not true -- many others are hurt, including family members, fellow workers and others.

But we DO see some merit in questioning the legality of ordering everyone to wear seat restraints. Is the government overstepping its bounds in making us protect ourselves? If seat belt use is regulated, what's to stop us from setting up sobriety check-lanes (to be sure we're not all drinking) or change speed limits to 45 (to save gasoline and lives) or make other law changes.

Hopefully, requiring everyone to wear seat belts will help save lives. Governments will have to answer to possible lawsuits if further restrictions or guidelines are proposed.

We think seat belt requirements are on the safe side of the law, literally. We're glad the new law is in force. Maybe some insurance rates can come down and maybe the number of lives saved in Michigan will go up -- all thanks to a small fabric belt around the waist.



RECOLLECTIONS

OF By-Gone Days

By GEORGE KEIM

There is an old saying, "You can take a man out of the farm, but you can't take the farm out of the man." Although I retired off the farm several years ago, I still get the farm papers and try to keep up on the latest farm methods.

But it's getting so mixed up that it almost takes a Philadelphia lawyer to keep up!

Whenever I'm in the Dutch Kettle or Lamplighter or Mandie's, I hear those young farmers talk about how to mix up sprays and the different methods of farming possible. Then they talk about no-till and ridge-farming and underground irrigation and all that big machinery. I can hardly keep up with them!

And when I try to tell them a few things, they can't understand how we ever made a living on 80 or 120 acres.

Well, I know it wasn't easy. My wife and I started farming in 1942. I had \$1200 and she had \$500. I bought some horses and cows and machinery and I had to borrow \$300. I had enough money to get all the machinery I needed but I had to borrow a few pieces of machinery the first few years.

My wife furnished the house with her money, but the first few years were pretty tough. Some times we didn't have enough to mail a letter! Several times, I

drove to town with the horses because I didn't have enough money to buy gas.

My wife was a good housekeeper and could make a good meal from scratch. We did without a lot of things.

We farmed 40 years and by today's methods, I guess I didn't farm right. Back then, I guess I didn't do too badly. We farmed three different farms and I found out I had to plow deep. Once I put two tractors on to get deep enough. Then I got my ground tested and put on only what they told me. I always plowed under green manure. We used to have 20 head of cattle and always had a lot of hogs.

Some machinery dealers tried to get me to buy high-priced machinery. But I never listened to them. We only worked what land we could handle by ourselves.

Well, I'm not rich but unless something very serious happens, I'll have enough to live on 'til the Lord calls me home.

In 2 Kings 4:25, it says, "And Judah and Israel dwelt safely every man under his vine and under his fig tree." It's not wrong to be a good farmer and be a good steward of what God has given us, but if a man raises them and pays his debts and has enough to live on and is right with God and his fellow man, that's all he can do.

Inspector Gordo's Minute Mystery

THE CASE OF the stunned nephew

Inspector Gordo knelt down to examine the spider which had spun a beautiful, wheel-shaped web across the lower half of the back door.

"A species of Argiopeidae," said the sleuth. "Uncle Phil would know its exact name," said young Bush. "He's sort of a bug himself. I-I mean, he won't let me kill anything, even a rat. Look at his house -- I can't even dust the cobwebs for him."

"It's rather like a setting for a horror show," agreed Gordo. "Suppose you tell me what happened here."

"Uncle Phil is in Europe on his sabbatical," began Bush, leading the way to the library. "He asked me to check the house once a week. I have the key to the front door."

"About an hour ago, I arrived to inspect the house. I heard noises as I entered."

"I called out. Suddenly a big man ran past me and out the back door. I might have caught him, but I tripped over a pile of bird food cartons in the hall, stunning myself."

"When I recovered, the intruder was gone. I found the safe as you see it, open and empty. I telephoned you right away from the house next door."

"What was in the safe?" asked Gordo. "I've no idea, but I can write Uncle Phil. Here's his address," said Bush, producing a folded slip of paper.

Gordo read: "Blue Lion Hotel, Harwick, Roxburgh, Scotland."

"Before you call the police," snapped the sleuth, "you had better improve your story!"

How come?

See Minute Mystery Answer on Page 8

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Flag flies over Co-op honoring Henry Kraft

A memorial flag will fly over the Co-op Elevator in Pigeon in honor of Henry Kraft, a former Co-op Board President.

He died suddenly from a heart attack the year the Co-op's Navy Bean processing plant was being constructed, 19 years ago.

He is well-remembered for the leadership he provided during his terms as a Director (1943-45) and as President (1954-66).

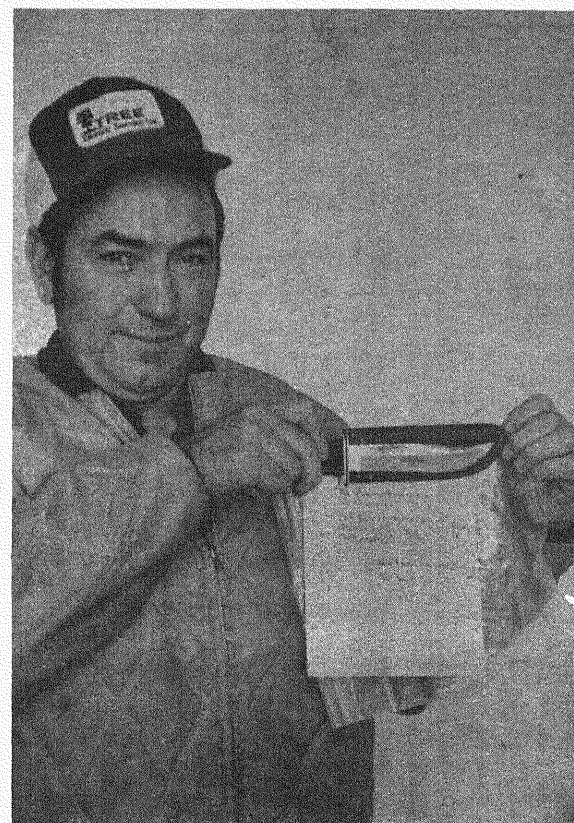
Beginning March 15, a flag donated by his children and grandchildren will fly in Henry Kraft's memory over the Co-op.

He was a farmer all his life, and married Charlotte



Henry Kraft

(Lottie) Pick in 1923. They had three children, Ranold Kraft of Detroit, Audrey Kraft Henne of Bay Port and Arliss Kraft of Caseville, eight grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.



SURPRISE GIFT: Bob Smith of Bay Port was pleasantly surprised when an anonymous friend gave a generous gift for his efforts to help deer through the past snowy winter. Smith says he has been providing cob corn for deer to eat in a wooded area near his home for the past several months. Last Wednesday, when he strapped on his snowshoes and walked to the feeding area, he found the hunting knife pictured above with a note attached.

"For 'The Wildlife Benefactor on Snowshoes,' in confidence that no ulterior motives are contemplated. Your Brother in Spirit, The White Witness," read the attached note.

Smith says the knife is valued at over \$40. He adds that contributions to purchase deer feed can be made through the Caseville Rod and Gun Club.

RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTO

Resigns from Pigeon Tel

John Eichler, president of Pigeon Telephone Company, announced March 11 that Eleanor Adams resigned from the staff of Pigeon Telephone to work in Bay City.

Adams, who joined the company in January, 1975,

served as bookkeeper and office manager during her 10 years of service.

Eichler said, "Ellie's service and talent will be missed. We all wish her well in the new job she has found in the Bay City area."

NOTICE

The Village of Elkton is asking for bids for the following: 1-1985 Full Size ½ ton pickup, color-red (optional), 6 cyl. engine, automatic transmission, power steering, power brakes, low profile mirrors, P-235 - 15R radial all-season tires (5), rear step bumper, AM radio, dome light, left hand spotlight.

Bids must be in the clerk's office no later than April 2, 1985 at which time they will be opened at the regular meeting. The village reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Darlene R. Ginter, Clerk

Paul Leipprandt named Pigeon MMPA President

Paul Leipprandt of Pigeon has been elected President of the Pigeon Local of Michigan Milk Producers Association.

Leipprandt will serve for one year. His election at the Feb. 16 annual meeting of the Pigeon MMPA Local was conducted at the Pigeon District Library.

Other officers elected include Vice President Harold Swartzendruber of Bay Port and Secretary Richard Buchholz of Pigeon.

Delegates for the next MMPA statewide meeting are Jim Yackie, Robert Thiel and Van Fritz, all of Pigeon.

Kurt and Pat Anderson were elected Outstanding Young Dairy Couple, to represent the local in further competition.

In addition to his duties as Local MMPA President, Leipprandt will also be involved in other functions through which the dairy farmer-controlled

cooperative operates. MMPA's statewide membership totals about 6000 dairy farmers.

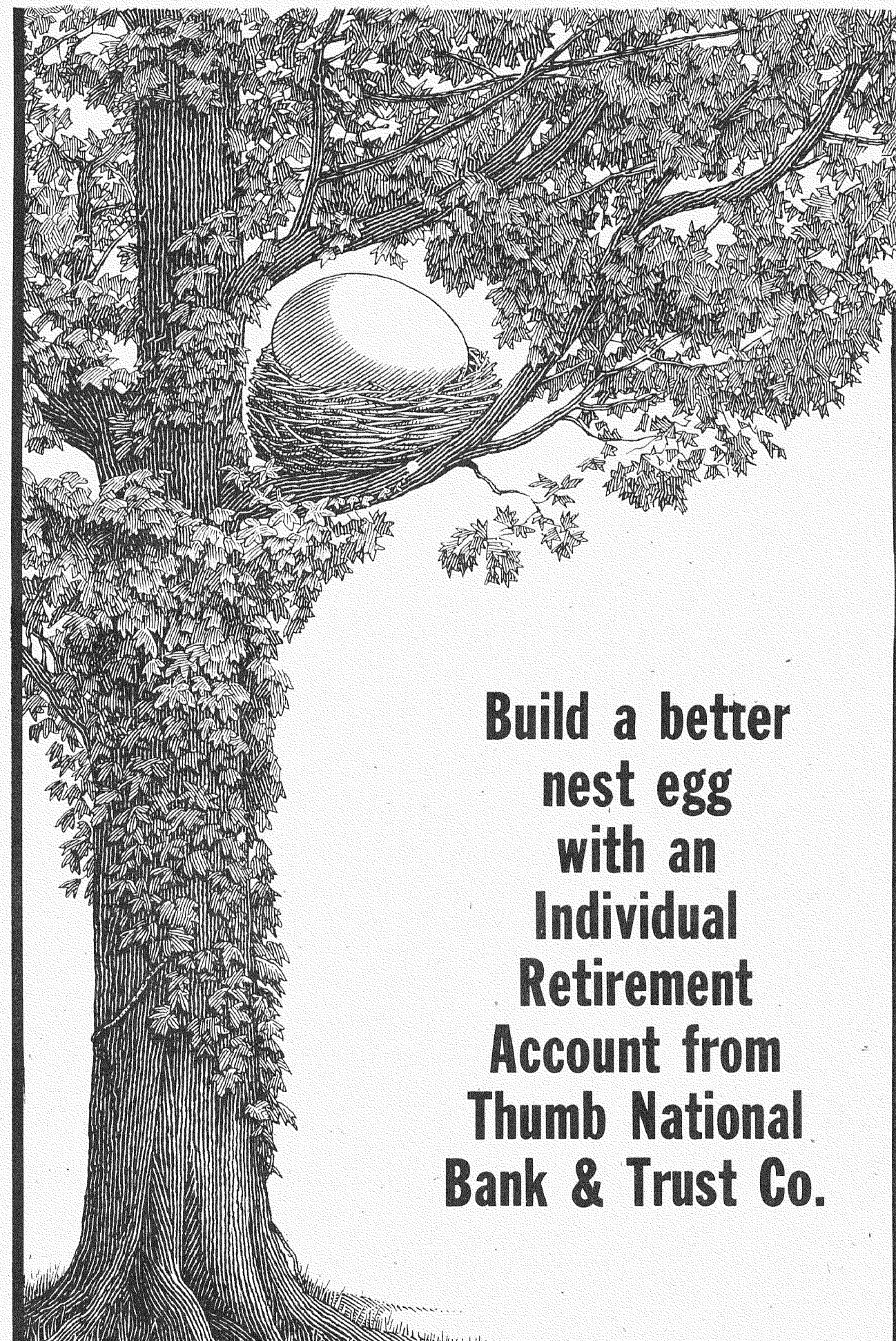
Cornerstone plays at Elkton

The Youth for Christ musical group, "Cornerstone," will present a concert on Sunday, March 17 at 7 p.m. at the Elkton United Methodist Church.

"Cornerstone" consists of 17 area high school students who are directed by Pam

and Jay Dubey of Pigeon. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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The First United Methodist Church of Pigeon's Youth Fellowship is having a Soup Supper Sunday, March 17. Serving time is 5:30 to 7 p.m. Potato, chili, chicken noodle and bean soups will be served and tickets are available at the door.

I'm really looking forward to watching our Laker Football Team this year. They're going to be real good. The quarter-back is very good and the two neighbors from Elkton will be good running backs. Keep up on the weights, boys. Signed, Laker fans.

We are in need of wild game and auction sale items for the March 29 Wild Game Dinner at the Bay Port Inn. Proceeds of the dinner and auction will be donated to the Bay Port Athletic Association, by owners Al and Coleen Alred, half of which will be given to our Little League Ball Teams. The rest will be used for upkeep of our ball field and lighting system.

There is only one way we are able to maintain our athletic field, and that is with the efforts and generosity of anybody who is willing to help. If possible, please take donations personally to the Bay Port Inn anytime or call A. Henne at 656-7280 (Little League), H. Strong 656-2801 (Association President) or S. Schweitzer 453-3638 (Assoc. Secretary).

Go all the way to State and beyond, Laker Girls' Volleyball Team. You can achieve your goal through smart work and hard work. We're with you completely, Irene and girls!

Pioneer Cablevision is now hooking up Lake Township, Port Austin Township and Port Austin Village for cable television. Most areas will be available for hooking up soon. Call the office in Caseville with questions or if you need more information.

We're taking a car caravan to Saturday's game, Laker girls. "Set 'em up" and knock 'em down, Green Machine! We hope all of Elkton, Pigeon and Bay Port turns out for these state finals games.

It's about time the Russians brought in somebody under the age of 70 to be the leader. Wouldn't it be terrible if both the two largest countries in the world had leaders too old?

The President's elimination of auto import quotas will hurt local jobs right here in Elkton and Pigeon. More cars will be made in other countries, losing jobs here at home and here in the Thumb. Too bad our leaders don't do what's best for our people, not just the big companies. This is wrong!

Good Luck to the other "Green Machine." Hope Michigan State goes all the way in the NCAA Finals. Michigan can lose, for all we care.

Parents, Friends, Community Members:

Due to the untimely death of Virginia Schumacher, I have been asked to formulate an assistance plan to aid the family in their time of need. THE PLAN IS SIMPLY THIS: Each parent/child (or whomever) may bring a can or cans of non-perishable food and/or household products to the Pigeon Elementary School between now and March 20th between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

On the afternoon of March 20th we will deliver whatever has been donated to the family.

Your donation can be labeled individually as such, if you so desire, or it can be known as simply from your friends at Pigeon Elementary, as we plan to enclose a note with the donation to that effect.

This voluntary gift to show compassion for the family in their time of need.

Thanks for your cooperation. Respectfully, Fred Joles,

Caseville offers tax relief for new, expanding businesses

By SANDY GOSLEE

Caseville's downtown area will be more attractive to local business improvements and expansion, following efforts Monday by the Village Council.

A special committee including Richard Lisowski, Norma Farver and Forrest Williams will meet with Huron County EDC Director Ralph Iden to consider establishing a tax abatement district for Caseville's commercial business area. Iden was present to answer questions Monday, and Council wants to offer aid for local stores.

The committee plans to meet Iden March 19 to learn more about the effort, which could offer 50% property tax relief for new expenses for up to 12 years in major remodeling or building projects.

Council pointed out this would be an enticement to improve stores and establish new businesses, but it won't be offered only if new business couldn't be started without such relief. It shows the village's intent to help businesses, Mayor Jan Prill noted.

TRASH BIDS? Howard Bedford, representing Bedford Disposal, asked if Council plans to seek bids or wondered if he can be rehired directly for garbage pickup. Mayor Prill will check with the village attorney for his opinion.

RAISES: Village employee wage increases were approved ranging from about 5% to nearly 20%, based on merit and to correct past inequities. Council members

noted it wasn't proper just to give 2%, 3% or some other across-the-board figure, since various circumstances were involved.

Police Chief Jack Jensen's salary goes to \$19,500, while Officer Larry Wilding's new hourly rate is \$8.05, based on a 40-hour week.

DPW Supt. Mike Molason goes to \$9 per hour, after new job probation ends May.

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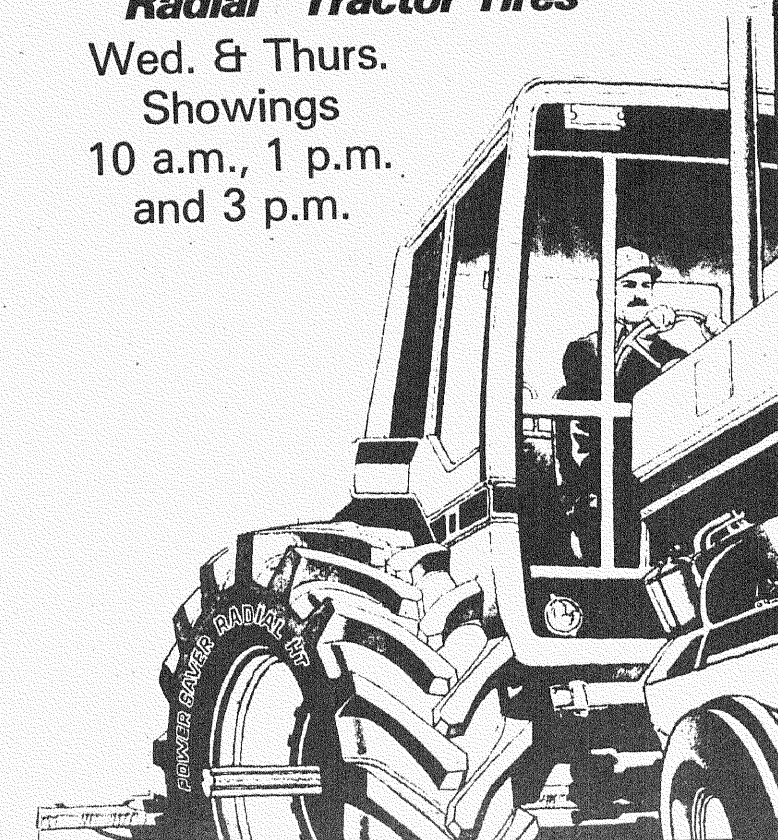
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The Past in Print



80 YEARS AGO MARCH 17, 1915

Winners in the Elkton Village election with 117 votes cast were: O.C. Jameson, Mose Braun, C. Beaver, W.L. Doyle, William Taylor, W.M. Smith and Charles Sohrman.

The Ladies Aid of the Bay Port M.E. Church gave a shadow box social at Mr. Karr's in the big hotel on Friday night and some of the older members lived over again the scenes of their younger days in the games of "Ruth and Jacob," "Happy is the Miller," etc. The net sum of \$18.50 was realized.

Eggs had all other farm products beat to a finish in Pigeon Saturday afternoon. The price went as high as 50 cents per dozen before the market closed.

J.J. Campbell and G.C. Powell of Pigeon were at Lansing several days this week in the interests of "spring duck shooting."

A large number of friends of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Richmond met at their home in McKinley Twp. Friday evening for games, dances and music. A number from Elkton were in attendance.

R.A. Haggit purchased the residence near the railroad at Berne and moved it to Pigeon this week.

70 YEARS AGO MARCH 19, 1915

Robins here and the frogs are croaking — looks like spring.

Christina, the five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Winchester Curran, Caseville, died Tuesday evening. The parents have the sympathy of all.

Clinton Harder is doing some clearing on his farm in McKinley Twp. these fine days.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Elenbaum of Winsor on March 14, a girl.

C.A. Stockmeyer entertained his employees at his home in Caseville Friday evening. Each received a silver dollar for each year they had been in the employ of Mr. Stockmeyer. George Cline was the oldest employe, with 17 years.

John Sticken, of Brookfield, is getting ready to build a new barn and Henry Voelker will build a new bank barn.

The farm residence of John Voss, south and east of Pigeon, was destroyed by fire Tuesday afternoon.

Thomas Maxwell, 80, a well-known Chandler Twp. resident, died March 9. Walter Soldan and Walter Donchew will build a shop and open up a meat market at Owendale.

60 YEARS AGO MARCH 20, 1925

Henry Clabuesch, Pigeon, attended a joint meeting of the Michigan Bean Jobbers and Bean Growers at Lansing Tuesday.

Willis Yackie entertained the Willing Workers class of the Pigeon Methodist Sunday School at his home Monday evening.

The Grand Trunk passenger train north was derailed at Berne Saturday evening and did not reach Caseville until after midnight.

Howard Haist entertained a number of his little friends Wednesday afternoon in honor of his birthday.

Stimulators for Saturday at E.F. Hess, Pigeon: overalls and jackets 98 cents; three pr. mens' hose 25 cents; gents' silk hose, black and grey 35 cents; ladies' winter coats half price. Adv.

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items to No. 5 for the Progress.

C. Benton of Northville has purchased Harry Hirschberg's cottage at Crescent Beach.

50 YEARS AGO
MARCH 15, 1935

Mrs. Fred Daus, 72, nee Margaret Sting, passed away at her home in Pigeon. She leaves her husband, three daughters and two sons.

Herman Buchholz, Robert Bowman, Jr., Walter Baur, James Sturm Sr., Pigeon, Herman Buchholz, Robert Bowman, Jr., Walter Baur, James Sturm Sr., Pigeon, were among those who made the Farmers' Union Tour to Washington this week.

A girls band was organized and had its first meeting at Pigeon Wednesday evening. Officers elected were E. Talaga, Bay City, president and band leader; Nelda Doepker, Pigeon; Ora Dietzel, Elkton; Margaret Ross, Bay Port; Ermythe Ackerman, Elkton and Barbara Wallace, Bay Port. There are 22 members.

Announcements have been received that Lester Fogle, Caseville and Isobel Cullen, Bay Port, were married Aug. 6, 1934.

The Pigeon River Mennonite Church Assn. purchased the old Fairhaven town hall near the William Henne farm. The building will remain on its present site and will be used by the Mennonites for Sunday School purposes.

New officers of Mud Creek PTA are Mrs. James Smith, Mrs. Ralph Richmond, Miss Caroline Isler, Mrs. Floyd Richmond and Mrs. Archie Smith.

40 YEARS AGO
MARCH 16, 1945

Pfc. Carlton Dietzel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Dietzel, Pigeon, met President Roosevelt at the White House as part of the 6th Ranger battalion, which rescued 272 American and Allied prisoners on Luzon.

Village elections found few

surprises in Huron County. George Beedle was re-elected while Clarence Mayhew was elected without opposition in Elkton. Leo Bliss was elected at Pigeon, Norman Wales at Owendale, Thomas Greene at Kinde, Wesley Downing at Gageton and Arthur Rummel at Sebewaing.

Is this a new record? Milton Knechtel, manager of the Grassmere Elevator Co., reports that Duane Rochefort, Colfax Township farmer, drilled a field of oats today.

Miss Jane Leipprandt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Leipprandt, is one of 54 seniors to earn winter quarter degrees at Michigan State College. She graduates as a secondary vocational English major.

Radio equipment has been installed at the Huron County Sheriff's Department and in two patrol cars, according to Sheriff M.R. McBride.

A special election has been called for March 21 at the Maxwell School District No. 6 Chandler to vote on the question of annexing the district with the Pigeon Rural Agricultural District.

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20 YEARS AGO
MARCH 18, 1965

Honor students of the graduating class of Caseville High School have been announced by Manley L. Fay, principal. They are James Kreh, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Kreh, valedictorian, and Irene Nicholl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nicholl, salutatorian. The next eight are Kathleen Perry, Linda Samczyk, Lana Scutt, Don Warren, Judy Stirrett, Terry Chapin, Larry Cleaver and Suzanne Hamlett.

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30 YEARS AGO
MARCH 17, 1955

Elkton Chamber of Commerce announced its plans to raise funds to construct a ticket booth and provide flood lighting at the Elkton ball park which will be renamed the "M.L. Ackerman Memorial Field" in honor of the late M.L. "Ackie" Ackerman, a town leader.

Lynn Broderick, 68, Pigeon, died Sunday night. He is survived by two sisters.

Thomas W. Dufty, 82, a supervisor of Lake Twp. for 18 years, died Sunday. He is survived by his wife, five daughters and two sons.

Amos Geiger, 90, retired Pigeon area farmer, died Friday. Surviving are his widow, two daughters and two sons.

Officers elected at the March meeting of the Bay Port PTA were Charles Car-

rington, Mrs. John Dubey, Mrs. Jane Long, Mrs. Harold Jerome and Arnold Patter son.

Misses Dorothy Kutechin and Carol Young, Pigeon were capped March 14 when Grace Hospital School of Nursing, Detroit, held its capping service for the 51 members of the Sept. 1954 class.

Medium shrimp, 5 lb. box \$2.89 or 59 cents per lb.; California naval oranges, bag 59 cents; Cuban pineapples, three for \$1; pork sausage 27 cents lb.; Silverbrook butter 63 cents lb. at the A & P Store, Pigeon.

Telephone Co. improvement project were opened at a meeting in the Pigeon Library according to Bill Henry, company president.

Pigeon village named Norman Schulze as the new village clerk, following the resignation of Mrs. Eleanor Adams, who accepted a position with the Pigeon Telephone Co. Donald Otto was named street administrator and Norris Diebel, council president, to fill the unexpired term of Richard Dast, who resigned.

Elkton Pigeon Bay Port board of education approved restructuring of school enrollment in grades K through 8 and changing the district name to the Laker School District.

Pigeon Cooperative Elevator Co. announced the purchase of the Pigeon Tile Works. Oliver Schaal, previous owner, will continue as manager.

The Laker High School concert band, directed by William Denbrock, received a "straight one" first division rating Saturday in class B regional competition in Flint.

Ownership of Knechtel's Market in Elkton, which had been owned and operated by a member of the Knechtel family since 1949, has been transferred from Wayne Knechtel to John Knechtel.



Susan, Neil married in Tennessee

Susan Mari Chisholm, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Chisholm of Pigeon and Neil W. Lang Volant, son of Mr. Henry Volant of Westwood, N.J. were united in marriage at an afternoon wedding on Jan. 19 at Church of The Holy Spirit in Memphis, Tenn. Officiating the double-ring ceremony was the Rev. John Batson.

Pianist was Mrs. Rosemarie Zivic and the groom's uncle, Donald Volante of Delhi, N.Y., was the violinist. Readers were Charles Dorn of New York City and Ms. Bonnie

Stenhouse of Memphis, both friends of the couple.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a tea-length gown of white schiffli lace with a fitted waist bodice, accented by a high wedding band neckline with three-quarter length lace sleeves. The softly gathered skirt was accented by a satin ribbon belt and a scalloped length hem. She wore a buo-fant hat with a waist length veil and carried a french bouquet of Cathelya orchids, blue iris, orange roses and red carnations with accents of ivy.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Brenda Mitin Reabe of Memphis, a high school friend of the bride. Also attending the bride were her sisters, Mrs. Lori Chisholm, Remick of Ellsworth, Maine and Mrs. Amy Chisholm Bushey of Elkton. The attendants each wore a tea-length gown of periwinkle lace accented by a satin ribbon belt. They carried bouquets similar to the bride's.

Best man was the groom's father, Henry M. Volant. His other attendants included Robert Dietz of Wyckoff, N.J., David Foltz of Edison, N.J.,

John Porta of New York City and Ralph Taylor of Cinaminson, N.J., all friends of the couple.

The bride's mother wore a periwinkle blue street-length dress with a Cathelya orchid corsage.

A dinner reception followed the ceremony at the Hyatt Regency Ballroom hosted by the bride's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Brad Chisholm of Saginaw.

The couple honeymooned on Paradise Island, off Nausau in the Bahamas. They will reside in Memphis.

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As houses became generally smaller, it was the funeral director who could provide a building large enough to accommodate big families gathered for mourning. As embalming became more sophisticated, it was the funeral director who had a laboratory (preparation room) to carry out this task. They also accepted responsibility for other aspects of the funeral arrangements; everything from transportation, to flowers and newspaper announcements.
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Gundens mark 40th anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Gunden

Marlin and Ruth Gunden of Clare will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary with an open house hosted by their sons and families this Sunday, March 17 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Midland Mennonite Church, 2510 E. Stewart Road, Midland.

The couple was married March 7, 1945 and they are the parents of Richard of Monclova, Ohio, Ron of Elkhart, Ind., Jay of Farwell, Clayton and Lamar of Clare.

Lake-Chandler news items

By MILDRED BALLAGH

Fred and Mona McBride returned home Monday from a month's vacation, beginning with a 10-party two week's cruise from Fort Lauderdale through the Panama Canal, ending at Los Angeles, Calif. They also visited their families at San Diego, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. William McBride were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald McBride at Lake Orion.

Nursing exam scheduled in Bad Axe

The pre-entrance exam for the January 1986 Practical Nursing class at Bad Axe, sponsored by the St. Clair Community College, is set for Saturday, March 23 at Bad Axe High School.

Interested applicants may contact SCCC Admissions Office, 323 Erie St., Port Huron, MI, 48061, phone 313-984-3881 or the Bad Axe P.N. Center, 407 E. Woodworth, Bad Axe, MI 48413, phone 269-6611.

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DEAR MR. ROSS:

I am 75 years old. Never had a desire for things which in my present station are priceless. I have been in a nursing home with a broken hip bone that never did heal right. From the \$40 I'm allotted each month, I have to supply all my own needs. You know — the things a man needs to look decent like shoes, clothes, papers, magazines, cigarettes and repairs.

All I have ever wanted is a wristwatch I have been dreaming of a new watch for about three years (that could be the only place I might ever see it). I do not know the price, but I see you can get them discounted in the newspaper. The ads are slightly blurred to me, so I can't say for sure.

Mr. Ross, I have no desire for anything else. My old wristwatch is not worth fixing and my alarm clock is broken. I'd appreciate it if you could find the time to answer me. — Mr. T.C., N.Y.



By PERCY ROSS

would dearly love to see her face when the florist delivers a dozen red roses. — Mrs. F.S.M., El Paso, Tex.

DEAR MRS. M.:

No mums for your "mum" ... it's roses all the way! Tovar's Flowers, Inc. located on Kansas Street has joined me in delivering to your mother two dozen long-stemmed red roses, along with our best wishes for her 85th birthday.

DEAR MR. ROSS:

I'm what is called a real struggling artist. At 23, my career seems at a standstill. Nothing is happening for me. Recently it's become difficult to purchase even the staples of life. But I'm not asking for any money thought — just a few words of encouragement. Like everyone else, I'm looking for my place in the sun. — S.L., St. Petersburg, Fla.

DEAR MR. L.:

If you want your place in the sun ... you have to expect a few blisters. Take it from me, I've been burned many times. Hang in there!

DEAR MR. C.:

I'm glad you found the time to write me. After three years, it's time your dream comes true. I'm sending you a new dependable Timex digital wristwatch which even has a calendar. No matter which station you're at in life, there's no time like the present. So I'm also sending you a new General Electric digital alarm clock to replace your broken one. Let's hope this puts a little time on your side.

DEAR MR. ROSS:

How does one become a successful columnist like you? — D.M., Anchorage, Alaska.

DEAR D.:

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DEAR MR. ROSS:

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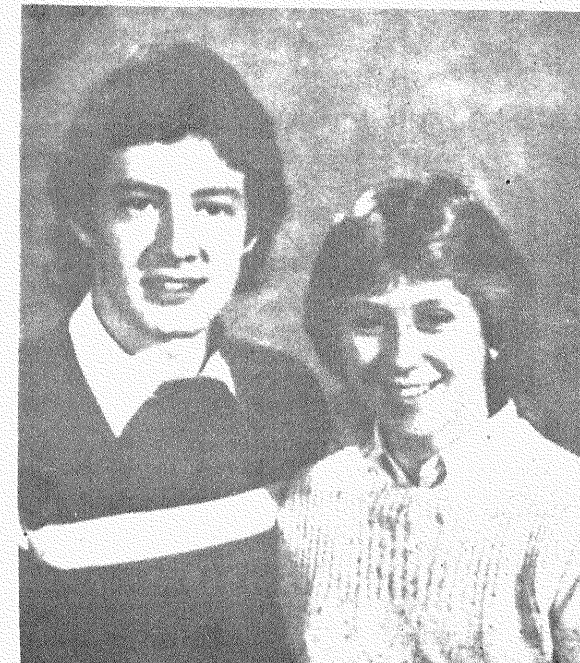
Service news

Army Spec. 4 David M. Bruce, son of John and Patricia Bruce of Elkton has participated in Team Spirit '85, the largest joint combined field training exercise in the free world this year, on the mountainous peninsula of South Korea.

The exercise involved members of all services of both the Republic of Korea and the U.S. Under the auspices of the ROK-US Combined Forces Command, 200,000 participants from forces currently stationed in Korea and from other locations within the Pacific Command and the U.S. participated.

Bruce, a 1983 graduate of Laker High School, is a teletypewriter repairer with the 25th Infantry Division at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

Area couples announce plans to wed



Fibranz - Brown

Ms. Virginia Fibranz, Pigeon, would like to announce the engagement of her daughter, Holly, to George Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ferguson of Caseville and Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Brown of Bay Port. A summer, 1986 wedding is being planned.

Bridal shower

Paulette Tait will be honored Sunday, March 3 with a miscellaneous bridal shower at the Elkton Civic Center.

Forty-five ladies played games with the door prize going to Lorriane Taylor of Utica. Guests attended from Utica, Royal Oak, Madison Heights, Hazel Park, Dryden, Metamora and the surrounding areas.

Paulette Tait and Duane Braun will exchange vows on March 30 at Chandler Presbyterian Church, Elkton.

Tots invited to workshop

Preschoolers age three and up and area kindergartners are invited to attend a SPARK workshop entitled "Finger Licking Learning." The program is designed for advanced youngsters who are creative, enthusiastic, curious and display leadership qualities.

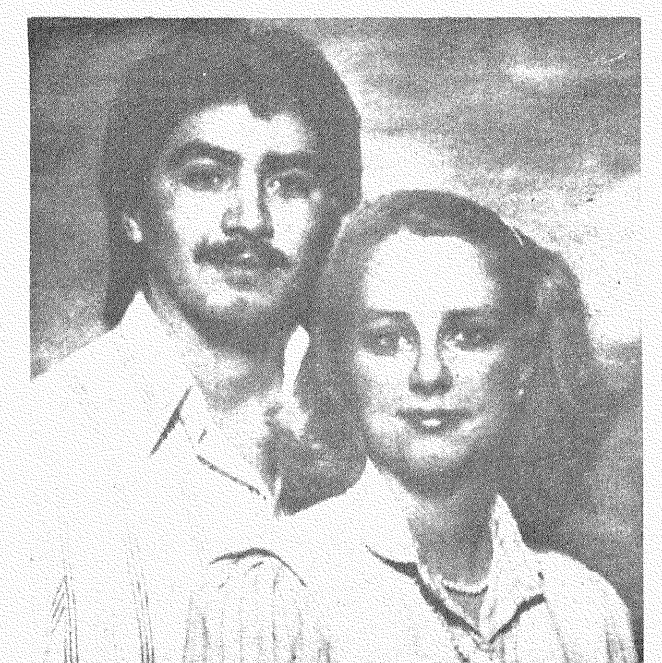
The three-hour morning workshop is planned for both parents and "sparklers" on



Romain - Simmet

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Romain of Bay Port and Mr. and Mrs. James Simmet of Sebewaing announce the engagement of their children, Carin Melissa and Patrick James.

The bride-elect is a 1983 graduate of Laker High School and is presently attending Howard's Beauty Academy in Caro. Patrick is a 1982 graduate of USA High School and is employed at Gettel Motors, Sebewaing. Wedding plans are indefinite.



Fluegge - Garza

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Fluegge of Elkton wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Veronica Sue, to Rudolfo Ronaldo Garza, Jr., grandson of Jesusa Martinez of Pigeon and son of Rudolfo Garza, Sr. of Pigeon and Cecilia Garza of San Antonio, Tex. A May wedding is being planned.

It's a boy!

A boy was born to Denison and Leanne Smith of Caseville on Thursday, March 7.

Aaron Vincent weighed 8 lbs. 5 oz. and measured 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Vincent and Joyce Smith of Caseville and Clifford and Vivian Buschlen of Lake, Miss.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Buchholz of Florida, Mrs. Marie Henne of Pigeon and Viola Peterson of Pigeon.

Kindergarten Round-up at Caseville

Kindergarten Round-up for the 1985-86 school year of Caseville Schools is planned for Tuesday, March 19.

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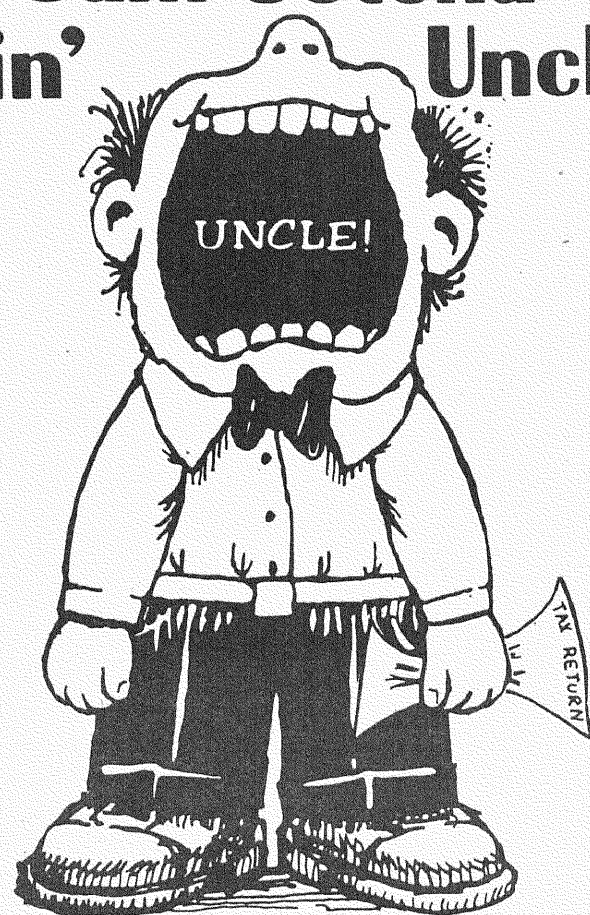
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Watch for high food prices

Higher retail prices are forecast for fresh citrus fruits, most fresh vegetables and eggs during March, by Ada Shinabarger, extension food marketing agent.

Few fresh vegetables have disappeared from produce departments for several reasons. Although the freeze has affected the prices of green beans, soft shell squash and sweet corn, among others, today's rapid transportation system has made it possible to obtain replacements from other areas. Heavy buying of the short commodities in other areas has driven prices up, she adds.

Following increases in the prices of most fresh vegetables early March, look for prices to ease in late March as supplies increase. Fresh vegetable supplies will be normal by early April and even heavy during late April and early May, at which time prices should decrease.

We're moving into spring when fresh potato prices increase seasonally. Cabbage and carrot prices are moving down, however, as new crops from several areas are coming to market.

Navel orange prices have been running about 10 percent higher than those of a year ago. Look for these prices to increase slightly during March. Branded frozen orange juice concentrate has shown a 13 percent price increase to-date. Imports from Brazil are the key to price movement on this item, advises Shinabarger.

The higher meat prices which have been predicted for months are becoming a

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reality. Beef heifers saved for replacement are down 10 percent from last year. This indicates that cow-calf producers are continuing to liquidate and higher beef prices will surely result in 1985 and 1986. However, in the short run, retail beef prices will be affected somewhat less as fed cattle production in 1985 will be as high as that of 1984.

Pork prices also strengthened this past month and that movement is expected to continue. Fryer production for this first quarter is up seven to eight percent over a year ago. Look for prices to remain steady and fewer specials. Turkey stocks are down and prices are up, especially on deli products.

Area school lunch menus

LAKER SCHOOLS

Choice of two main dishes daily.

MONDAY: Lasagna, barbecue and chips, cookie.

TUESDAY: Chicken nuggets, ham and cheese on bun, shoestring potato sticks.

WEDNESDAY: Pizzaburger, vegetable beef soup with egg salad sandwich.

THURSDAY: Hard or soft-shelled taco, beef and noodles, kitchen treat.

FRIDAY: Cheesy pizza, fishwich and french fries.

CASEVILLE SCHOOLS

Salad bar every day.

MONDAY: Tacos or hot dogs, baked beans, corn.

TUESDAY: Spaghetti, garlic toast, bread and butter.

WEDNESDAY: Hot subs or pizza subs, macaroni and tuna salad, chocolate cake and ice cream.

THURSDAY: Chili or chicken noodle soup, crackers, peanut butter sandwich, bread and butter, ala carte: hamburgers.

FRIDAY: Fish or ham sandwich, green beans, ala carte: fish sandwich.

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MONDAY: Pancakes, scrambled eggs, ham, applesauce or peaches, milk.

TUESDAY: Hot dogs or fish sticks, baked beans and fries, lettuce salad, pears or pineapple, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Chicken and mashed potatoes, corn, raisins or figs, milk.

THURSDAY: Submarine sandwiches, fries, cottage cheese, pears or pineapple, milk.

FRIDAY: Tomato or noodle soup, toasted cheese, salmon or peanut butter sandwiches, applesauce or peaches, milk.

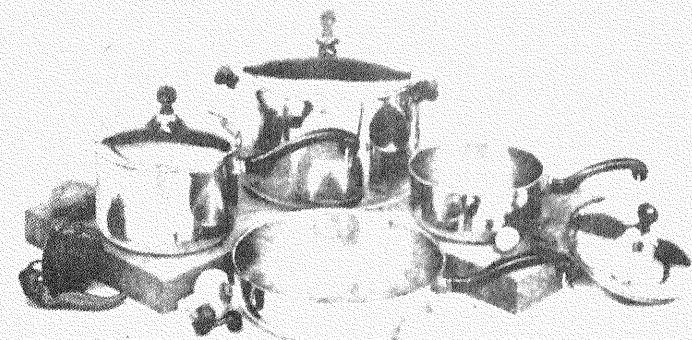


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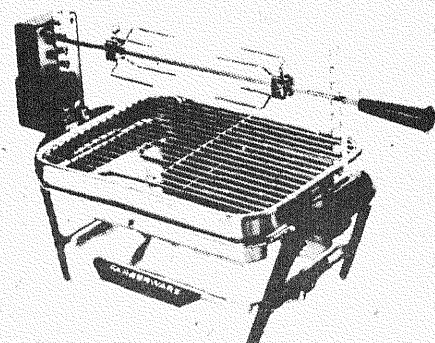


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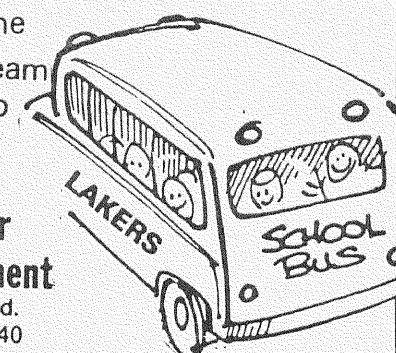
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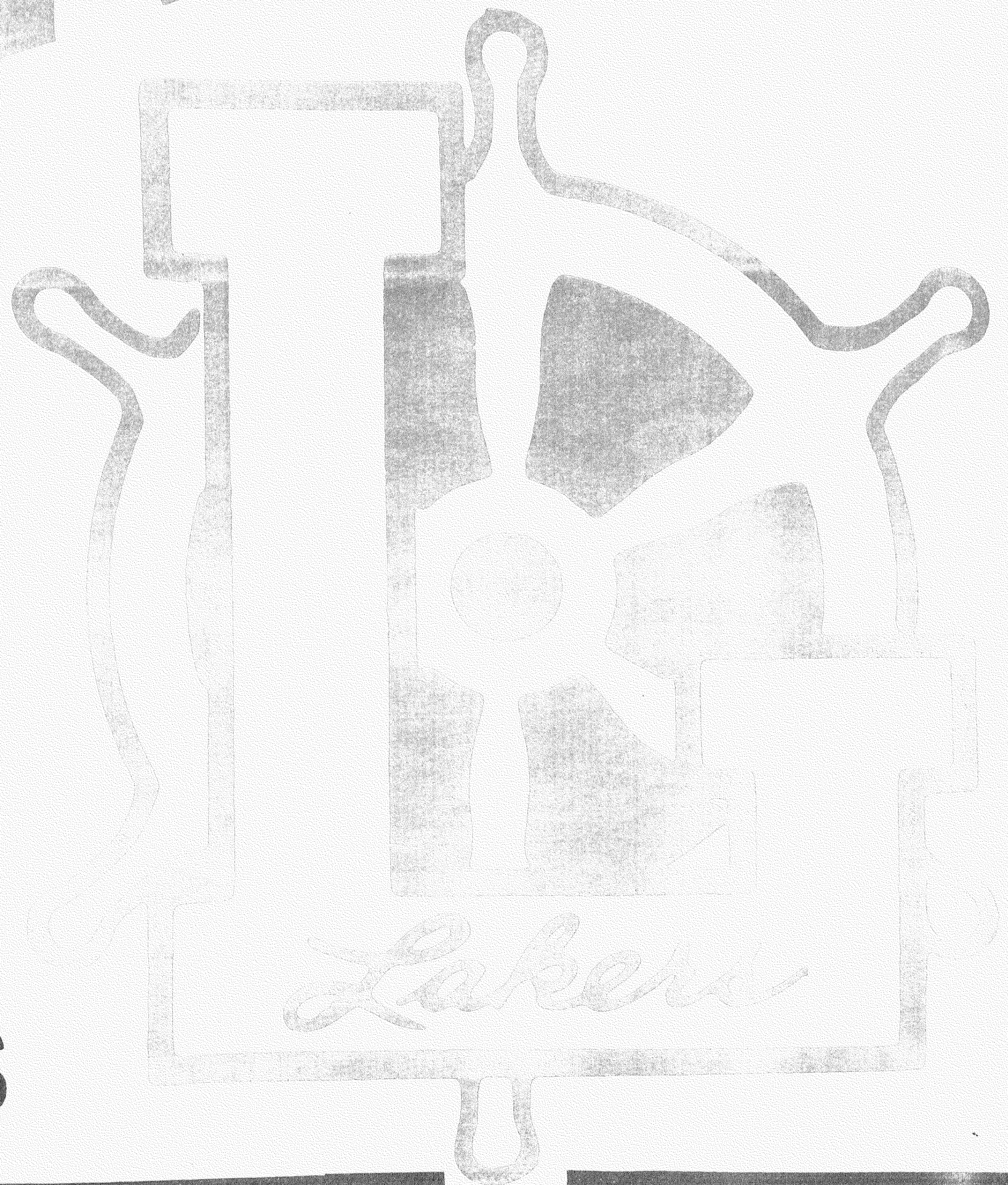
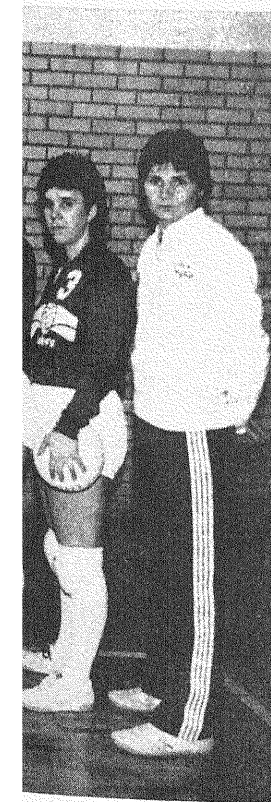
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HOME CENTER** Pigeon, 453-3231**Area obituaries****VIRGINIA M. SCHUMACHER**
1954 - 1985

Virginia Mary Schumacher, age 31, of Hoffman Street, Elkton, died Friday morning, March 8, at Scheurer Hospital, following a long illness.

She was born Feb. 4, 1954 in Bad Axe, daughter of Alberto and Guadalupe (Rodriguez) Sanchez of Elkton. She was united in marriage Dec. 15, 1973 to James M. Schumacher at St. Francis Borgia, Pigeon. She was a housewife and mother in the Elkton area since her marriage and attended St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church.

She is survived by her husband, James; two daughters, Michelle, 10, and Sherry, 6, both at home; her parents; two brothers, Albert Sanchez of Caro and Martin Sanchez of Elkton; two sisters, Mrs. Dale (Belia) Atkinson and Mrs. Jerry (Alma) Atkinson, both of Elkton.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. on Monday, March 11 at St. Francis Borgia Church, Pigeon. Fr. Ben Skornia officiated, with burial in the church cemetery.

The Elkton Chapel of the Champagne Funeral Chapels handled funeral arrangements.

EVA A. LAHART
1897 - 1985

Eva A. Lahart, age 87 of Port Austin Road, Lake Township, died Saturday, March 9 at Huron County Medical Care Facility, Bad Axe.

She was born Oct. 11, 1897 in Detroit, daughter of the late Henry and Mary (Barnett) Nex. She was united in marriage to Walter Lahart in 1923. He preceded her in death in 1960. Mrs. Lahart lived in Elkton for the past 18 years and was a member of the Elkton United Methodist Church.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Clifford (Mary) Farver of Lake Township; two granddaughters, Mrs. Russell (Jeanne) Nickerson of Elkton and Mrs. Joseph (Carol) Kastura of Taylor, and five great-grandchildren. One great-grandson, Gregory Nickerson, and two brothers and two sisters preceded her in death.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, March 12 from the Elkton Chapel of the Champagne Funeral Chapels. The Rev. Ronald Iris, pastor of the Elkton United Methodist Church, officiated, with burial in Riverside Cemetery, Elkton.

MABEL MORLOCK
1886 - 1985

Mabel Morlock, age 98, of Pigeon, passed away Saturday, March 9 at Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon.

She was born on June 11, 1886, in McKinley Township, daughter of the late George Jacob and Ella (Verbeck) Newman. On Dec. 25, 1906 she was united in marriage to Edwin Peter Webber. He preceded her in death July 15, 1922. She later married John Morlock who also preceded her in death.

She was a member of the Hayes United Methodist Church and was a homemaker.

Mrs. Morlock is survived by one son, Robert Webber, Sr., Pigeon; one brother, Alvin Newman, Pigeon; one sister, Mrs. Violet Michener, Gaylord; six grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandson.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Miner and Leonard Webber; two daughters, Edna Webber and Leone Allen; a great-granddaughter, Christa (Schroeder) Schneirla; two brothers, Arthur and George Newman and two sisters, Grace Childs and Florence McKenzie.

Private funeral services will be conducted on Wednesday, March 13, Rev. Randy Chamberlin, pastor of the Hayes United Methodist Church and Rev. Terry W. Allen, pastor of the Ferndale United Methodist Church, will officiate with burial in Caseville Cemetery.

Arrangements were conducted by Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon.

THUMB AREA DEATHS

Laurence Hamilton, 70, of Cincinnati, Ohio, formerly of Harbor Beach, passed away Feb. 13.

John R. Smart, 73, formerly of Caseville, passed away Feb. 21.

Susie Kocowski, 82, of Port Austin, passed away Feb. 23.

Chester E. Schmalz, 64, of Vero Beach, Fla., formerly of Harbor Beach, passed away Feb. 24.

Gary J. Karges, 38, of Vassar, formerly of Bad Axe, passed away Feb. 24.

Lydia Seeley, 69, of Cass City, passed away Mar. 2.

Austin Tomlinson, 76, of Port Austin, passed away Mar. 3.

Rhoda (Shubel) O'Brien, 83, of Bad Axe, passed away Mar. 3.

Wilfred J. Roberts, 66, of Harbor Beach, passed away Mar. 4.

Marie L. Walker, 77, of Caro, passed away Mar. 5.

Genevieve (Julie) Stahl, 55, of Sebawaing, passed away Mar. 6.

Raymond J. Roggenbuck, 67, of Sigel Township, passed away Mar. 7.

Displaced Homemakers invited

A representative from the Displaced Homemaker Program will be at the Bad Axe Courthouse, Room 304 on Monday, March 27 from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. to discuss the program, qualifications and to enroll eligible people.

The program is free to all qualified persons, according to Human Development Commission Executive

Director Mary Ann Vandemark.

People who have been homemakers for 10 years, are divorced, separated, widowed or whose spouse is totally disabled, may contact the Commission at 1-800-292-3666 for additional information. Participants are asked to bring their own lunch.

Caseville United Way ends year

Members of the Caseville United Way met recently to hear the 1984 financial report of the '84 fund drive and to conduct necessary business.

Treasurer Lois Everingham reported that expenditures and resources were close to balancing, \$5,000 each. In addition to supporting numerous youth organizations, the Caseville UW 1984 fund drive included the following donations: \$1,000 to Scheurer Hospital for equipment, \$500 to the Pigeon District Library, \$500 for Caseville Food Pantry, \$800 approved for its "fair share," food certificates of \$500, \$400 to Catholic Family Services, Child and Family Services, \$300 to Thumb Area Commission Aging, \$600 to Salvation Army, \$300 to Aid for Blind and \$200 for Arthritis Foundation. The \$1,000 donation for the "Jaws of Life" will come out of 1985 funds, according to Treasurer Everingham.

In other business, President Marion Watterworth appointed Jean Dudley to fill a vacancy on the board of trustees and Jim Reeves to act as secretary in the absence of Jim Stahl, who is ill. Agnes DiVincenzo will continue as trustee.

Because of the success of a letter campaign for funds spearheaded by Treasurer Everingham, it was voted to do another campaign for 1985.

It was also voted that the Caseville United Way attend only state meetings of high

priority of officers, members of the state board of directors and committees. Vice President Carl Stelter announced he was re-elected to the United Way of

Michigan Board of Directors and was selected to serve on the agency relations, allocations and planning committee, which will conduct a panel at the Allocations Conference on April 24-25 in East Lansing. He will serve as

panel member for the Association of Emotionally Disturbed and the National Institute of Burn Medicine.

According to Stelter, the recommended budget of the UWM for 1985 has been in-

creased to \$8 million, an increase of \$1 over 1984's budget.

Present officers of the Caseville United Way will re-

main the same. President

Watterworth announced that a vacancy exists on the advisory committee.

Caro grad speaks at breakfast

Jackie Bishop of Grand Rapids, co-founder with her husband of Choose Life Christian Center, will be guest speaker at the Thursday, March 14 Prayer Breakfast at the home of Willet and Sylvia Oeschger, Sebawaing.

Bishop, who is the daughter of Wallace and Esther Ranke, formerly of Sebawaing, is a graduate of Caro High School and wife of

Rev. Robert Bishop. They have three children.

She founded Reaching Women With the Word, a group whose goal is to teach women the Bible and how to apply it every day.

The public is invited to join the Oeschgers for coffee, rolls and fellowship beginning at 9 a.m., at their home located at 3825 Caro Road.

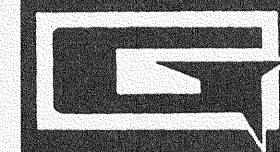
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☒ **Yellow Page usage:**

	HURON COUNTY DIRECTORY	LOCAL PHONE DIRECTORY
USUALLY USE:	53%	8%
USE BOTH:		*24%

*Of those respondents (24%) who tend to use both yellow page directories, 2 out of 8 usually use the Huron County Directory, giving the Huron County Directory an approximate 74% preference.

☒ **Positive features of the Directory mentioned in response to an open-ended question:**

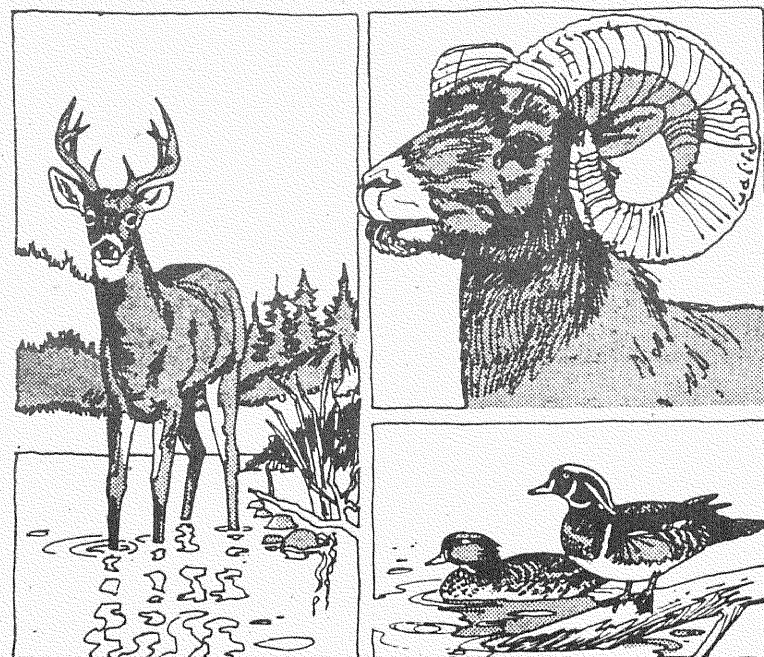
- 47% voluntarily mentioned they liked having the county all in one book
- 24% felt that the entire book was good, easy to use
- 14% appreciated the amount and assortment of information and features
- 11% commented that they liked the public service information
- 9% appreciated the zip codes being listed
- 8% liked the maps
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Pigeon District Library events listed

PARENTS
COFFEE HOUR

Diet and nutrition will be the topic for Parents' Coffee Hour on Tuesday, March 19

Calvary hosts
guest speaker

Jim Greiner, missionary appointee under Continental Baptist Mission will be guest speaker at Calvary Baptist Church, located at 6718 Prospect in Caseville on Sunday, March 17.

Construction work has been Greiner's trade from an early age as his father was a builder. During the 11 a.m. worship service he will tell about the ministry he is in which helps the mission build attractive, low-cost church buildings.

In the evening he will present a slide program of the work he is engaged in.

Accompanying him will be his wife Rhonda and their two children, Timothy and Kristi. A potluck dinner has been planned after the service to welcome the family.

in the community room at the Pigeon District Library. Community Relations Director Frank Franchomb of Scheurer Hospital is organizing the program to help parents plan nutritious menus and good diets for their preschool children.

All parents, grandparents or sitters of preschool children are invited to attend the 9 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. session, free of charge.

PRESCHOOL
STORY HOUR

Tuesday Preschool Story Hour on March 19 will be based on "Spring," with the reading of "The Very Hungry Caterpillar," "Spring" and "Down the River Without a Paddle."

The children will also enjoy a Clementine the Butterfly chalk-talk, Five Little Robins fingerplays, Old MacDonald flannelgraph and a Color Match game. Each child will be given a colorful butterfly to take home.

All preschoolers are invited to attend either of two sessions: 9 to 10 a.m. and 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Annual registration is required.

CIRCULATION
REPORT

February circulation statistics show that 5,508 pieces of library material were borrowed by patrons during the month, an increase of 679 over last year. There were 1,740 adult books checked out, 559 junior adult, 959 children's, 171 toys, 2057 videocassette tapes and 22 pieces of AV equipment.

The copy machine totaled \$142.60 and \$80.37 was paid by patrons for overdue books.

Thirty-seven new registrations were received in February, including eight from Winsor, seven from Caseville, seven from Brookfield, five from Sebe-

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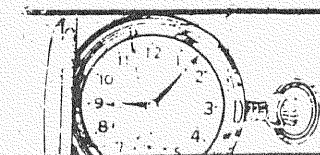
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God is for us

READ PHILIPPIANS 4:10-20

If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, will He not also give us all things with Him? Romans 8:31-32

In all innocence a child may miss the intended meaning of a Bible verse and yet speak the truth.

A case in point is the passage: "If God is for us, who is against us?" The child recited it: "If God isn't for us, we are up against it."

The fact is that God IS for us. Evidence for this, as the Lenten message testifies, is His great act of love: He did not spare His own dear Son but delivered Him into the hands of sinners so that by the shedding of Christ's blood all sinners might be saved.

What follows from this: First of all, we who have faith in Christ and are declared just by that faith have peace with God.

But there is more. God, having given the greatest of all gifts - His Son - will also give us the things needed for this life.

He has committed Himself to be our Provider and Protector. In all things God is for us. If this were not so, we would be, as the young saint said, "up against it," as also the psalmist declares: "If it had not been the Lord who was on our side... they would have swallowed us up alive."

But God is for us, protecting us and providing the things we need.

Lord, You gave us our bread, and Christ, the Bread of Life. Amen.

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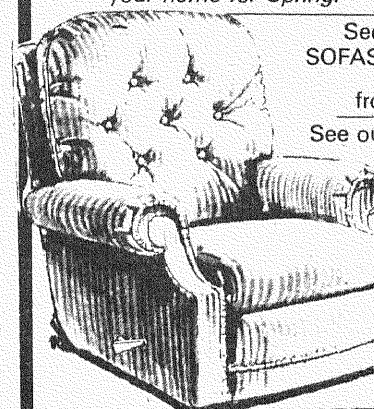
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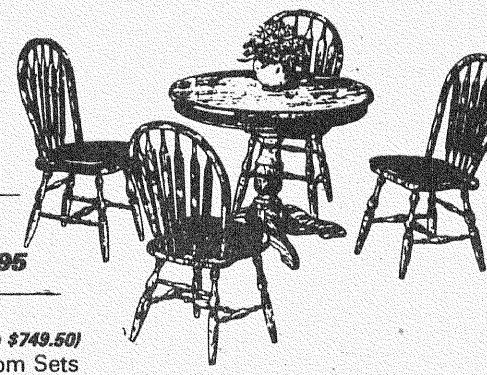
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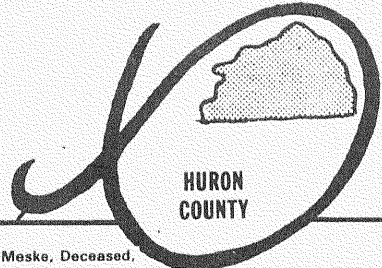
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MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS Week of March 4

Ross Lee Gibson & Deborah K. Szalay
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Allen M. Collison & Mary T. Lowe
Vincent J. Pearl & Sally I. Williams

ASSUMED NAMES Week of March 4

No. 3950 BAD AXE MOLD, 414 E.

Soper Road, Bad Axe, MI 48413, By: Douglas S. Brown, 126 N. West St., Vassar, MI 48768. Filed: 2/27/85. No. 5951 JK COMMUNICATIONS, 9180 Toppin Road, Harbor Beach, MI 48441. By: Jerry Kretschman, 9180 Toppin Road, Harbor Beach, MI 48441. Filed: 3/5/85.

No. 3952 HENDRICK MACHINE SERVICE, 4831 Jurgess Road, Utby, MI 48475. By: Scott Hendrick, Sheree Hendrick, 4831 Jurgess Road, Utby, MI 48475. Filed: 3/5/85.

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WARRANTY DEEDS
Feb. 27 - March 6

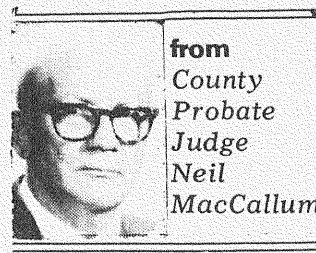
Marie L. Maxwell Estate to David H.

Strozski: a parcel of land located in the City of Bad Axe.
Kenneth A. Hacker & Deborah J. Hacker to Judy J. Book: a parcel of land located in the City of Bad Axe.
Genevieve M. Rybak to Albin W. Murawski Jr. & Wf: a parcel of land located in Section 36 of Port Austin Twp.
Daniel E. Indo & Wf to Anthony Daniel Indo & Wf: a parcel of land located in the Village of Kinde.

Stella B. Holdwick to William J. Holdwick: a parcel of land located in Section 28 of Sand Beach Twp.
Robert Voss & Wf to Robert J. Ondrejka & Wf: a parcel of land located in Section 31 of Winsor Twp.

Clare W. Finkbeiner to Buschlen Farms, Inc.: a parcel of land located in Section 20 of Winsor Twp.
Kenneth E. Laughlin Trustee to C. Robert Jackson: a parcel of land located in Section 31 & 32 of Sand Beach Twp.

Walter Duggan & Wf to Clement G. Tschirhart & Wf: a parcel of land located in the City of Bad Axe.



from
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Probate
Judge
Neil
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PROBATE COURT Week of 2/28 - 3/6

Estate of Preston C. Thomas, Sr., Deceased, of Casaville - File 24,515 - Supervised Probate, Order Allowing Personal Representative's Third to Sixth Annual Accounts Together with Final Account and First and Second Supplemental Final Accounts filed. Petition for Appointment of Successor Personal Representative filed.

Estate of Robert L. MacDonald, Deceased, of Port Austin - File 26,717 - Supervised Probate, 5 Waivers and Consents filed, Order Appointing Personal Representative filed, Bond of Fiduciary filed, Letters of Authority filed.

Estate of Robert J. Bryant, Deceased, of Port Austin - File 27,090 - Supervised Probate, Order Allowing Final Account and Assigning Residue filed.

Estate of Willard F. Perkins, Deceased, of Casaville - File 27,110 - Supervised Probate, Order Allowing Final Account and Assigning Residue filed.

Estate of Marjorie Lolkus, Deceased, of St. Clair Shores - File 27,421 - Independent Probate, Certificate of Completion filed.

Estate of Chester J. Byers, Deceased, of Florida - File 27,829 - Supervised Probate, Petition for Commencement of Proceedings filed, Testimony Interested Parties filed, Order Appointing Personal Representative filed, Bond of Fiduciary filed, Letters of Authority filed, Waiver and Consent filed, Publication Notice filed.

Estate of Jeffrey John Thaut, Deceased, of Sebawaing - File 27,463 - Supervised Probate, Order Allowing Final Account and Assigning Residue filed.

Estate of Welda M. Henne, Deceased, of Sebawaing - File 27,551 - Supervised Probate, Inventory filed, Order Closing Hearing of Claims filed.

Estate of Olga A. Meske, Deceased, of Port Hope - File 27,230 - Supervised Probate, 6 Waivers and Consents filed. Estate of Charles H. Bennett, Deceased, of Harbor Beach - File 27,619 - Independent Probate, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

Estate of Edna Mae Stevens, Deceased, of Utby - File 27,400 - Supervised Probate, Final Account of Personal Representative filed.

Estate of Joseph C. Woycik, Deceased, of Ruth - File 26,687 - Supervised Probate, Waiver and Consent filed, Order Allowing Final Account and Assigning Residue filed, Order of Discharge filed.

Estate of Lucille Margaret Schroeder, Deceased, of Harbor Beach - File 27,587 - Supervised Probate, Inventory filed.

Estate of Lorena E. Kuehn, Deceased, of Sebawaing - File 27,631 - Will filed, Petition and Order for Assignment, Estate Not Exceeding \$5,000 filed.

Estate of Marie L. Maxwell, Deceased, of Pigeon - File 26,139 - Supervised Probate, Final Account of Personal Representative filed, Notice of Hearing filed, 2 Proofs of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

Estate of Clara Emma Townley, Deceased, of Bad Axe - File 27,123 - Supervised Probate, 2 Receipts of Trusteeship, Order filed.

Estate of Florence M. Herriman, Deceased, of Port Austin - File 27,468 - Supervised Probate, Order of Discharge filed.

Estate of Robert Burley, Deceased, of Harbor Beach - File 27,633, Will filed.

Estate of Floyd O. Snay, Deceased, of Elktion - File 27,614 - Supervised Probate, Order Determining Heirs filed.

Estate of Howard Harris, Deceased, of Bad Axe - File 27,567 - Supervised Probate, Order Closing Hearing of Claims filed.

Estate of Larry Edward Peters, Deceased, of Utby - File 26,585 - Supervised Probate, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

Estate of Louis T. Yaroch, Deceased, of Kinde - File 27,588 - Supervised Probate, Proof on Probate of Will filed, Order Admitting Will to Probate and To Appoint Personal Representative filed, Acceptance of Trust filed, Letters of Authority filed, Order Determining Heirs filed, Inventory filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

Estate of Lucille Costello, Deceased, of Bad Axe - File 26,871 - Supervised Probate, Waiver and Consent filed.

Estate of Peter F. Koss, Deceased, of Harbor Beach - File 27,039 - Supervised Probate, Petition for Partial Distribution filed, Notice of Hearing filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

Estate of Joseph R. LaCourse, Deceased, of Casaville - File 26,956 - Supervised Probate, Inheritance Tax Receipt filed.

Estate of Arlene E. Fritz, Deceased, of Owendale - File 26,260 - Supervised Probate, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

Estate of Gary B. Reid, Deceased, of Harbor Beach - File 24,709 - Supervised Probate, Annual Account of Co-Trustees filed.

Estate of Imogene Pauline Ricker, Deceased, of Owendale - File 27,343 - Independent Probate, Order for Court Supervision filed, Order Pursuant to M.C.L.A. 205.202(d) filed.

Estate of Ernest A. Pleiness, Deceased, of Port Hope - File 27,334 - Supervised Probate, Inheritance Tax Receipt filed.

Estate of Erwin L. Pleiness, Deceased, of Port Hope - File 27,333 - Supervised Probate, Inheritance Tax Receipt filed.

Estate of Carl Erbsch, Deceased, of Harbor Beach - File 18,198 - Supervised Probate, Order filed.

Estate of Herbert T. Sadro, Deceased, of Bad Axe - File 27,455 - Supervised Probate, Petition for Authority to Settle Wrongful Death Claim and for Order of Distribution of Settlement Proceeds filed, Notice of Hearing filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

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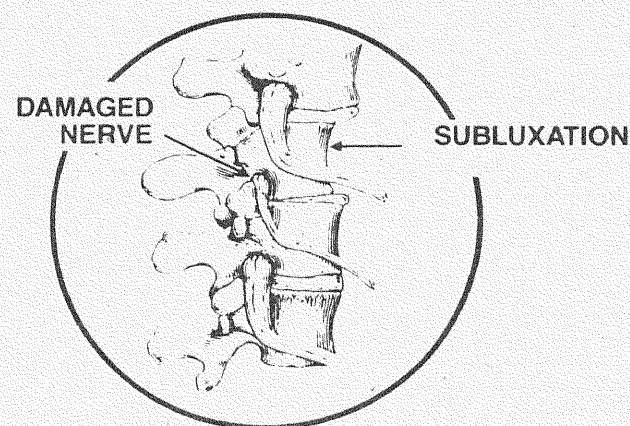
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Record sugar beet crop praised at growers' meet

"It's the best of times and the worst of times"

In the sugar industry, this is "the best of times and the worst of times."

That was the summary of one speaker who addressed 425 beet growers and their families at the annual meeting of Sebawaing Sugar Beet Growers Association at the Colony House near Cass City last Wednesday.

■ Beet tonnage, sugar content, total production and purity were all great during the 1984-85 production year, Michigan Sugar Company President Ernest Flegenheimer told area farmers.

■ With the new sugar silo and other processing improvements, the company will contract about 1,000 more acres here than last year, the president said.

■ With other new efficiencies, added Davis Sunderland, vice president of agriculture, the company is going to do a better job of receiving the best crop, because "We've got to both work better for our sakes." Such results will be more and more necessary in the future, Sunderland added.

■ Speaking for more and better sugar promotion, Robert Young, vice president of Great Lakes Sugar Beet Grower Association, said that more speakers, slide shows, display booths and other promotion are needed to respond to "patently untrue" stories peddled by some consumer groups that the industry

receives vast hidden subsidies for each grower, "which is damaging to the industry."

Despite better production, more processing efficiencies, more acreage and stronger promotion, there are serious problems on the horizon, the speakers pointed out.

■ The proposed 1985 Farm Bill is "totally unrealistic as an overall piece of legislation," President Flegenheimer pointed out, and he added, "But I'm sure they'll have to do something to maintain the domestic sugar industry." Association Vice President Young sees a continuation of the present program for one or two years and he does not expect a decision until September or October, although he concedes he may be surprised by an earlier decision.

■ Other problems are the inroads made by sweeteners — such as Nutrasweet — which will spend between \$150 and \$200 million for advertising, making it vital for "us to tell our story, too."

Balancing all sides, pros and cons, the conclusion was that this is "the best of times and the worst of times," as summarized by Sunderland.

The 1984 production, amounting to more than 400,000 tons of sugar beets, set a new record and Flegenheimer said that early samples projected 18 tons per acre, but company-wide the yield ran 20 tons per acre, a half-ton more than



SEBWAING SUGAR BEET Growers Association of officers and directors. Seated, Victor Engelhardt, secretary, Stanley Gettel, president, Dale Henne, vice president and

Daniel Herman, treasurer, standing, Directors John Draschil, Carl Schuette, Tom Zimmer and Lavern Engelhard.

last year. Sebawaing plant growers averaged 20.3 tons, compared with 19.4 tons. Besides, it was a quality crop, with sugar content of one percent more than last year, 17.3% sugar content company-wide, and 17.7% in the Sebawaing plant. Last year Sebawaing sugar content was 16.2%. Purity, too, was higher than last year, 15 pounds more sugar recovered per ton than last year. Sunderland said that in one 16-hour period during last fall's receiving campaign an all-time new record of 110,000 tons was received.

Flegenheimer said that 35% of the 1984 crop has been sold, and the real marketing job now is to move the rest of the crop by Oct. 1. He foresees that the price might be down by \$2 per ton by the end of the sales season and pulp and molasses could be down \$15 per ton.

The summary, voiced by Sunderland with determination and confidence, was "Together, this great industry is going to survive."

Young explained that the Great Lakes research and by-laws committee conceived an idea contest, with cash prizes for applications and ideas on any new aspects for growing sugar. Growers will receive more information on presenting their ideas. Young stated that the industry needs all growers to aid in putting ideas together and for support to call, visit and write Washington for

Congressional and Administration help.

Three incumbent Association directors were re-elected, Dan Herman, John Draschil and Carl Schuette.

Stanley Gettel, association president, conducted the meeting and introduced the traditionally-oldest person associated with the local sugar beet industry, Mrs. Emma Gettel of Sebawaing, who was 102 in November. Other officers are Dale Henne, vice president, Victor Engelhardt, secretary and Daniel Herman, treasurer. Besides the newly-elected director Lavern Engelhard, Tom Zimmer and Richard Strieter are in terms that have not yet been completed.

Tom Zimmer gave an overview of FFA-4H programs with the Growers Association and company and concluded that it is "a good program, and we'll stay with it."

Company Chief Agronomist Phil Brimhall pointed out that the Flegenheimer scholarship has been increased from \$1,000 annually to \$1,500 and that is this factory district's program there were 56 participants in the competition.

Speaking on herbicides, William McGuffy, manager and agriculture chemicals, explained that "We're in the herbicide business, because really we're selling weed control." He said the company recommends the use of Poast, a post-emergence grass herbicide, and he encouraged growers to consult on pre and post-emergent plans with the company ag staff.

Dick Jacoby, ag manager at Sebawaing and field men were introduced and the meeting concluded with a slide program of the USSR and the Peoples Republic of China.

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sports of the week

State v-ball title two matches away for Lakers

By RICH
SWARTZENDRUBER

The Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port volleyball players have developed numerous skills throughout the past season, but one of the most enjoyable is hoisting Coach Irene Green on their shoulders to display a championship trophy. The Laker spikers exercised that particular skill again last Saturday after winning a Class C

Regional championship at Flint Hamady.

With the regional title, the Laker team moved to within two matches of the state championship. Coach Green hopes she will get one more ride this season with a championship trophy this Saturday at the state finals.

The poise of the Laker athletes was tested in the regional finals with Pontiac Catholic. After grinding out a 15-7 victory in the first

game of the best-of-three match, Lakers dropped their most lopsided game defeat of the season when the Titans of Pontiac Catholics won, 15-1.

The tournament favorite Lakers regrouped, however, to turn the tables and earn the championship title with a 15-3 win.

Green explained the second-game loss, by a switch of momentum to the Titans. "Momentum is one of the key factors in volleyball," said the Laker coach. "That's what gets people hooked on volleyball. A team always has a chance until the final match point is scored," she added.

"We haven't had one of those games where we lost (the momentum) all game long this season, but it happens to the best teams," she said about the second game loss.

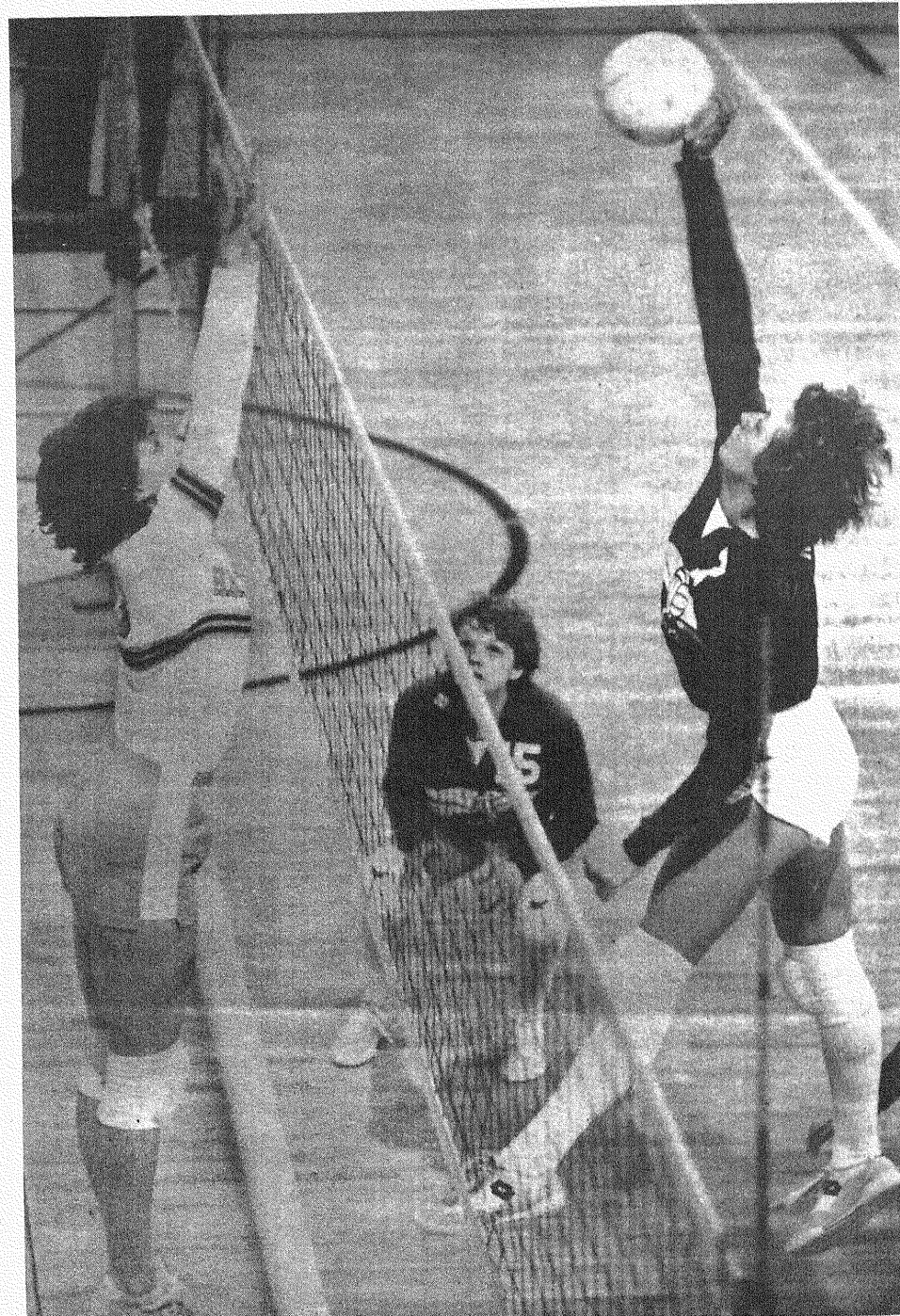
One factor which makes this year's team even better than last year's Laker state semi-final team in addition to more experience is better serve reception, says Green. That improvement could have been the key to Laker's regional championship, as one of the strengths of the Pontiac Catholic squad was some expert servers.

Sue Kohr served up seven points, six attacks and two kills in the championship match. Brenda Baker added six points and topped Laker spikers with 13 attacks and eight kills. Lynda Brown contributed five points, four attacks and two kills to the win.

Leading setters for Lakers were Shelly Ginter with 12 kill assists and Shelley Ritter with four.

Top defensive player for the green and white was Julia Sutrm with four blocks, five attacks and three kills.

Laker's first match victory of the day came at the expense of tournament host, Flint Hamady, which was ranked fourth in the state. The Hawks of Hamady scored the first point of the first game and the first pair of points in the second, only to have Lakers pull ahead at that point in each game and never trail again.



SPIKIN' SUE: Laker's Sue Kohr drives a spike over Flint Hamady's Karen Huntley in a regional semi-final match between two of the four top Class C teams in the state. Chris Steinman (center) prepares to return a possible block.

RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTOS

Lakers recorded a 15-12 win the first contest and a 15-9 decision in the rematch with Hamady.

Brown led Laker servers with 12 point in the Hamady match and also added seven attacks. Chris Steinman scored six points, pounded five attacks and two kills. Kohr added five points, six attacks and two kills to the offense against Pontiac Catholic.

Sutrm again bolstered the defense in the match with six blocks, six attacks and three kills.

Floor general Ginter again led the squad in sets with nine kill assists and teammate Lisa Drabek came off the bench to add five kill assists.

After her team bowed out of the tourney, Hamady coach Angela DeMorone commented on the Laker team.

"We knew they were tough and have a lot of strong hitters," she said.

Because she observed Lakers play earlier in the season, DeMorone knew what to expect. In team workouts last week, the Hamady spikers prepared for blistering spikes from Laker attackers. After the match, DeMorone was told by her players that the

Laker spikers hit just as hard as they faced in practice.

This Saturday, Lakers will face defending Class C champion Berrien Springs in the semi-finals, in a showdown between the two teams that swapped the top state ranking during the past season.

DeMorone, who saw both teams play this year, after several moments of thought said she thinks Berrien Springs is the better team.

"I think Berrien Springs can beat any Class C team," she said. The biggest factor in her decision was the level of competition faced by both teams, she added. Berrien Springs played ranked teams in both Class A and Class B.

Tournament spectators will likely witness a display of power volleyball in the dream matchup between the top two teams. The Hamady coach says she believes Berrien Springs hits the ball just as hard as Lakers, but doesn't have quite as many players that pound the ball so hard, as does the Thumb area representatives.

Perhaps the deciding factor in determining the outcome Saturdays semi-final contest will be "Big Mo." As Coach Green pointed out,

momentum plays a crucial role in volleyball, especially when two squads are evenly matched in ability and determination.

The Class B & C State volleyball finals are scheduled at Delton Kellogg High School in Delton, located between Battle Creek and Kalamazoo.

The first Class C state semi-final contest pits Newago and Addison at 1 p.m. The Laker-Berrien Springs showdown is slated for 2:30 p.m., with the championship match to follow at 5:30 p.m.

Salem UM youth host pancake meal

The youth of Salem United Methodist Church in Pigeon will be flipping the pancake and browning the sausage when they host a Pancak and Sausage Supper on Wednesday, March 20. The meal will be served from 4:30-7 p.m. at the church.

On the menu will be pancakes, sausage, scramble eggs, applesauce and beverages.

Proceeds will go toward their spring Florida trip work camp in Tennessee and youth projects.

Lakers bumped from district finals in overtime

By RICH
SWARTZENDRUBER

The Thumb B champion Laker basketball squad was within seconds of upsetting heavily-favored Unionville-Sebewaing in the district finals last Friday night, but saw the game slip away in a 67-64 overtime decision.

An estimated 1700 vocal spectators packed the Laker gymnasium, and none left early from the game that was just as close as the overtime result indicated.

After a see-saw battle throughout the game that featured 14 ties and 18 lead changes, Lakers opened up a 59-56 lead with just 1:07 re-

maining in regulation time. A bucket by USA's Todd Tibbits and a successful free throw in a one-and-one situation by Greg Eisengruber tied the score at the 50 second mark of the fourth quarter.

Both teams failed to take advantage of scoring opportunities in the remaining regulation time. Larry DeSimpelare missed the front end of a bonus free throw situation, then Lakers turned the ball over while bringing the ball up the court with less than 10 seconds remaining on the clock.

In the three-minute overtime period, Lakers took the lead on a basket by Scott Rosenthal. A series of lead exchanges then followed the pattern of earlier in the game until Eric Majeski stole the ball and drove in for a layup to give USA a three-point lead.

Rosenthal scored again to narrow the score to 65-64, but Majeski iced the game at the charity stripe with 18 seconds on the clock when he netted a pair of pressure free throws.

Lakers were unable to score in the remaining seconds, and USA celebrated their victory.

Patriot Coach John Manninen said that an emotionally charged atmosphere threw the game up for grabs between the two inter-conference rivals. "We felt talent-wise that we put more on the floor, but we knew that emotions make up for a lot of talent."

Manninen noted about the emotion factor, "You throw out all your statistics and everything else — that's why they call it March madness."

"We did not play particularly well, but that was because Lakers took us out of our normal half-court game. It was really difficult to get anything inside," said Manninen.

USA was plagued by foul trouble with front line players VanSteenhouse and Eisengruber in the first half. The predicament was expected by Manninen who observed the referees work earlier in the year and noticed they call the fouls closely.

Laker Coach Bill McLellan also commented on the officials' performance, especially near the end of the game. "It's too bad the referees weren't as good as the play on the floor," McLellan said after the game.

He felt several fouls should have been called late in the fourth quarter when USA was behind and using defensive pressure to get the ball back.

McLellan, however, paid tribute to the district champion Patriot squad saying, "They're a heckuva ball team."

The Laker mentor also noted that he praised his players for their performance after the game when he told them, "You can't play any better than you did tonight."

Rosenthal took game scoring honors with 21 points, while teammate Ron Dubs netted 16 and Eric Bushey hit 10 for Lakers.

Patriot scoring was paced by Eric Majeski with 19 points. Also hitting double digits for USA were Mike Francomb with 18 points and Jim VanSteenhouse with 15.

TWO WINS: The Laker Green Machine recorded back-to-back wins over Uby last Tuesday, and Bad Axe on Wednesday to earn a shot at the district crown.

Uby battled back from a 31-18 halftime deficit to narrow the score to 50-47 by the time the final buzzer sounded.

The Bearcats failed to take advantage of Laker fouls during the game as they hit only three of 11 during the night, and only one of seven in the fourth quarter.

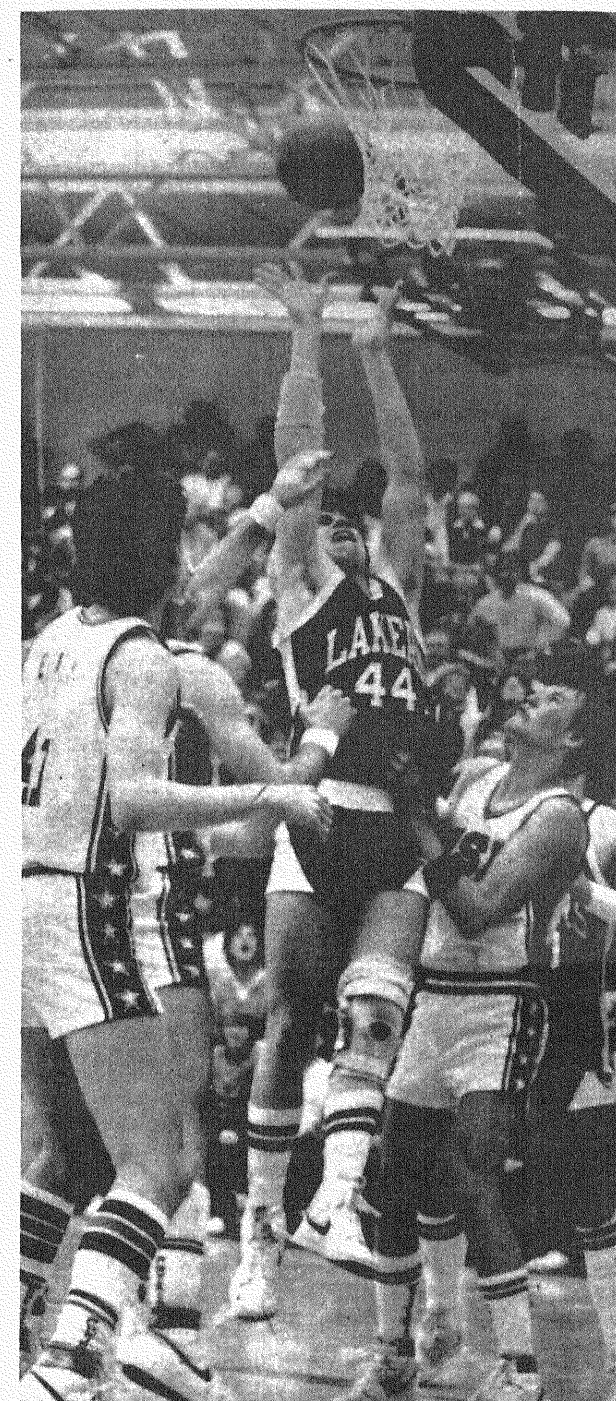
Rosenthal with 19 points was the only Laker to hit double digits in the game.

Uby was led by Gerry Briolat with 16 and teammate Rick Schefka with 12.

HATCHETS OUSTED: Scott Rosenthal tossed in 23 points to lead Lakers past the Bad Axe Hatchets 60-47, and into the district finals.

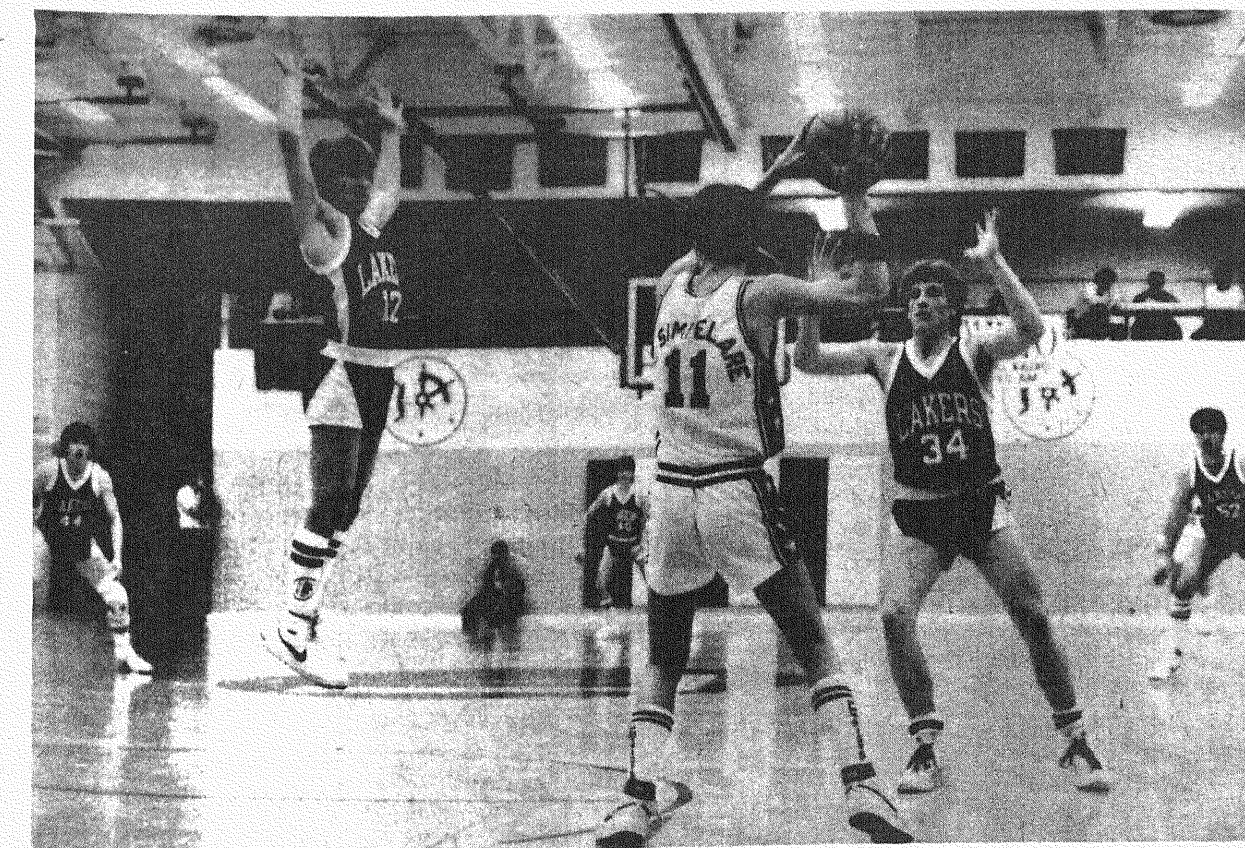
A scrappy Bad Axe zone defense kept the Hatchets close to Lakers in the first half. The visitors only trailed the Green Machine 25-23 at halftime.

An eight-point Laker lead in the third quarter, however, changed the Hatchet defense to a man-to-man, and then Rosenthal took charge. The Laker scoring leader tossed in 13 points



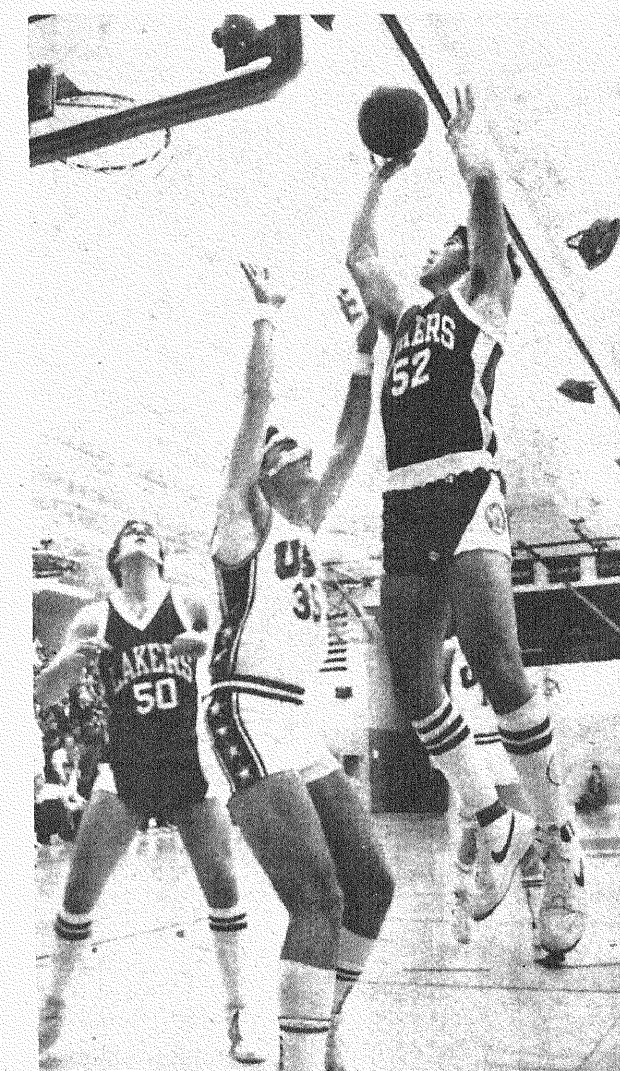
MEETING THE NET: Laker Scott Rosenthal (44) clears a crowd of Patriot cagers to nab a rebound in his final hoop game in a Laker uniform last Friday night.

RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTOS



FULL COURT PRESS: Patriot ballhandler Larry DeSimpelare (11) faces the entire Laker team on defense. Laker

defenders pictured from left include Scott Rosenthal (44), Ron Dubs (12), Jeff Smith (40), Chris Eby (34) and Eric Bushey (52).



FINGERTIP TOUCH: Laker senior center Eric Bushey (52) releases a shot in the lane over USA's Mike Francomb (35) as Todd Schember (50) awaits a possible rebound.

in the second half and also pulled down 12 rebounds during the game. Eric Bushey also helped polish the backboards for Lakers with 11 caroms.

Chris Eby recorded his season-high point production with 15 on the night.

Bad Axe scoring was paced

by Brian Wardhammer's 15 points. John Martin scored 14 and Mike Stuart added 10 to the Hatchet total.

The Green Machine bows out of the 1984-85 basketball campaign with a Thumb B Association Championship with a 13-1 league record and a 17-6 overall mark.



IN THE KNOW...

AT LAKER HIGH SCHOOL

By CONSTANCE ABDALLA and C.L. DRUMMOND

You're lying on the beach turning a crimson red listening to "California Girls" dreaming about Florida guys. A shadow falls across your eyes open — It's a CERTS encounter!! A gorgeous guy with a fantastic tan is blocking your sun. "Why didn't I bring my Certs?" you say aloud.

"What?" Mr. Gorgeous says.

You say, "This is why I'm here."

"To get burnt?" he replies and laughs. In your embarrassment you read his shirt. It says **LIFEGUARD**.

"A lifeguard?!!!" You fall back to the blanket realizing you could pass for a tomato. You start ripping through your beach bag looking for Solarcaine. You remember, "Oh my gosh, it's on the table in my room — next to the Certs," as tears swell in your eyes.

Three days later... you're lying in a hospital room totally covered with third degree burns and delirious from fever. A Dr. Drake look-a-like walks in. You reach frantically for the bedside table. You've got your

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P.S. Have fun in Florida!

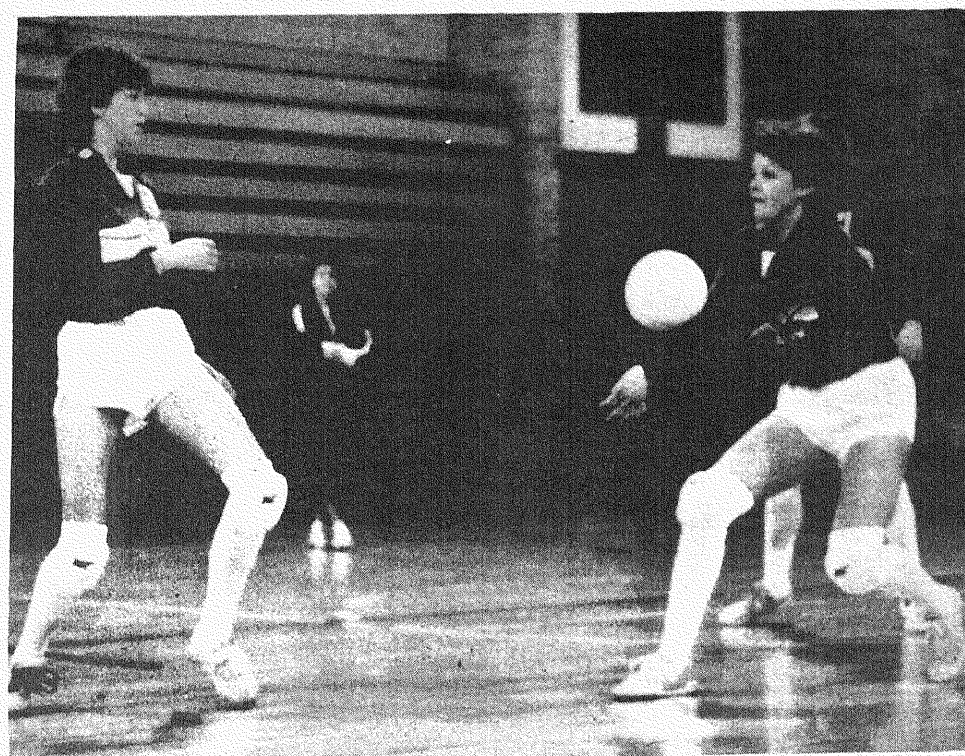
Corn growers meet at MSU

The next meeting of the Michigan Corn Growers is scheduled for Wednesday, March 20 at the International Center in Room C at Michigan State University at 10 a.m.

Anyone interested in the Michigan Corn Industry is encouraged to attend.

For more information, contact the Corn Grower office at 694-0589.

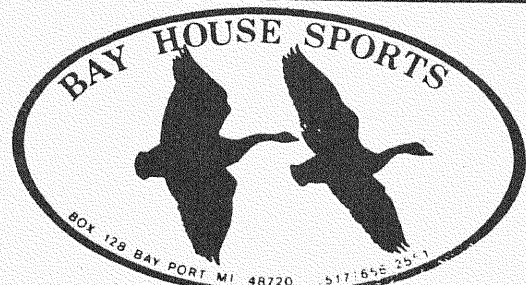
ASSISTING: Top Laker setter Shelly Ginter (left) prepares to set the ball behind her for Julia Sutrm (right) to spike. Ginter continued to set the ball despite a heavily taped right thumb resulting from a practice injury.



PERFECT PASS: Chris Steinman at right passes the ball to a Laker setter as teammate Brenda Baker (left) looks on.

BOWLING

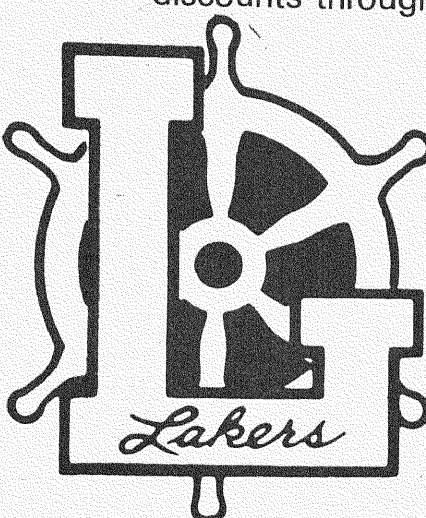
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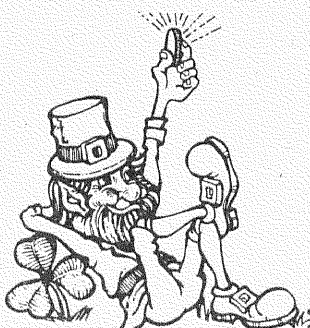
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Splits: 5-6 C. Damm; 4-5 L. Zamke, M.J. Harder, C. Damm, G. Finkbeiner; 3-10 J. Blome, V. Duffy, P. Kuhl; 5-10 D. Kuch.	Five consecutive strikes: N. Wichert 207.

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THURSDAY NITERS**

Scheurer Hospital	25
Brighton Metal	23½
Pigeon Auto Supply	23½
Fink's Used Equip.	21
Gary's TV	21

High individual scores: P. Niebel 580 (201-191-188), J. Blome 556 (246-203), B. Schulz 540 (192-181), E. Gunden 530 (207), S. Buchholz 523 (200-170), M. Ropp 506 (183), W. Kovach 496 (180), F. Otto 492 (184), E. Rounds 489 (180), J. Tennant 476 (181), A. Albrecht 464 (178), T. Dressler 172, A. Kingsbury 172.	Five consecutive strikes: J. Blome 246, P. Niebel 191.
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Splits: 3-6-7-10 D. House; 5-7 F. Otto, B. Pohan; 5-6-10 B. Schulz; 4-5 P. McCormick; 5-6 L. Wolfman, D. Basinger, D. Swartzendruber; 2-7 P. Roestel, W. Kovach, J. Tennant, C.A. Dubs, A. Albrecht.
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(180-232), D. Fritz 479, D. Schafer 173, P. Podlowski 170.	Splits: 2-7 V. Bom; 3-10 E. Heck, J. Garick; 5-6 D. Schafer; 5-8-10 J. Rosenthal; 5-10 C. Sikoski, S. Cunningham; 3-6-4-7 D. Fritz.
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ELKTON TUESDAY NIGHT MEN'S LEAGUE	
Ty's	23
Elkton IGA	21
Huron Castings	19
Sohigro	18
Pabst	17
High team scores: Ty's 2687.	

High individual scores: B. Chappel 566 (220), B. Lackie 526, T. Wills 522 (205), D. Sweeney 517, E. Karl 516.

Splits: 3-10 L. Lowe, T. Wills, H. Karl; 5-10 P. Forster; 5-7 2-8-7 R. McIntosh; 5-7 B. Blunt.

High individual scores: M. Swartzendruber 603 (230-204), J.D. Gunden 583 (212), D. Dunn 561, H. Ropp 552 (208), D. Rapson 550 (207), C. Basinger 545 (202), D. McAlpine 544 (203-212), R. Snider 524, R. Killinger 504, G. Deering 500, D. Smith 214.	Splits: 2-7 R. Nowaczyc; 5-10 E. Shepherd; 5-7 5-8-10 D. McAlpine; 3-10 N. Libka; 3-10 9-10 H. Ropp.
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Lanes 2553 (847-979), Albrecht Auction 2470 (828-854), Active Feed 2462 (856-804-802), Co-op Elevator 853.

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Splits: 2-7 R. Nowaczyk: 5-10 F

High individual scores: D. Rapson 570 (214), D. Reed 569 (222), H. Ropp 563 (202), M. Swartzendruber 557 (214), J.D. Gunden 547 M202, C. Basinger 518, R. Killinger 511, D. Dunn 511.	Splits: 3-10 N. Libka; 4-5 R. Graf.
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High team scores: Albrecht Auction
2526 (809-887-830), Co-op Elevator 2518
(926-810), Active Feed 2491 (867-837).

High individual scores: D. Rapson 570
(214), O. Reed 569 (222), H. Ropp 563
(202), M. Swartzendruber 557 (214), J. D.
Gundem 547 — (202), C. Basinger 516 —

High individual scores: E. Gunden 510, E. Rounds 475 (190), A. Kleinfeld 471, S. Errer 465, J. Vollmer 463 (192), F. Richmond 461 (181), A. Christner 191, E. Howard 179, V. Doyle 179.	Splits: 2-7 M. Grunow, V. Doyle, C. Deming, B. Anklam; 4-7-10 V. Doyle; 5-10 V. Fluegge; 3-10 E. Rounds.
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Shoreline Snowplowing ..	14
Pigeon Lanes	

*Elbing-Roestel	1
Dunn-Parrish	1
Abbott-Schuette	1
Dubs-Pipe	1
*Kretschmer-Thiel	1
*Roestel-Strauch	1

***Incomplete**

High team scores: Blome-Gunden 214/ (737), Roestel-Strauch 2083 (711), Dubs Smith 2080 (713).

High individual scores: J. Dubs 607 (213-205), L. Roestel 586 (217-209), J. Gunden 573 (212), D. Parrish 569 (242), A. Abbott 540, L. Smith 533, R. Elbing

Splits: 3-10 J. Abbott, M. Roestel, A. Weidman, A. Beachy; 2-7 J. Rosenthal, M. Roestel, L. Smith; 5-7 L. Roestel, L. Smith, B. Anklam; 5-3-10 A. Elbing; 9-10 J. Rosenthal.
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MONDAY	
MAJOR LEAGUE	
Walsh Packing	25
Scheurer Hospital	25
J & B Pig.	23
Pigeon Lanes	22
Brighton Metal	19
Wildfowl Bay Resort	18
Bay Shore Collision	17%
Damm's Inc.	17

High individual scores: H. Schuette 626 (219-206-201), J. Gunden 624 (224-214), R. Klein 619 (227-204), L. Swartzendruber 568 (212), D. Parrish 567 (227), M. Albrecht 564 (214), N. Libka 560, Troy Gunden 558, C. Hershey 557 (200), D. Diener 557 (209), H. Blome 547 (209), J. Damm 546 (202), R. Deering 223, T. Rathje 219, J. Beyer 217, R. Finkbeiner 213, R. Gots 209, T. Kula 203, D. Roestel 203, W. Henne 200.
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High individual scores: H. Schuette 544, M. Gehrs 233, K. Schembler 202, R. Finkbeiner 201.

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Active Feed	17
Carling	17
Clark's Refrig.	18
Dutch Kettle	16
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Scenic Bar	33
Arlen's	33
Duffie's Tavern	29
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Pop's Place	54
Scenic Bar	49
Blue Water Inn	47
Riverside Bar	40
Duffie's Tavern	37
Arlen's	36

NOTICE

At the March 4, 1985 Caseville Township Board Meeting an amendment to the existing zoning ordinance was presented for adoption and was approved. The amendment deals with fences and hedges and takes effect March 4, 1985. A copy of the complete amendment is available for purchase or inspection at the township clerk's office at Caseville Township Hall during regular business hours.

Wallace A. Hart
Township Clerk

Woods and Waters

By DUANE GUENTHER



Not the putter, but the puttee . . .

When I was in the golf business, I served my apprenticeship under a golf pro who was one of the best shot makers I had ever seen. Now, most golf pros can hit a good golf shot. After all, if they couldn't they probably wouldn't be a pro in the first place.

But, this guy was different; he would make great shots using any old club that happened to be available.

His secret was simple — constant practice. When he was at his club job in the Pigeon area, he never had much time to play the game, or for that matter, to practice. However, when the cold weather moved in, he would highlight it down to Florida where he was part owner of a driving range. I was there that he fine tuned his game.

He confided that, when business was slow and things were boring, his remedy would be a bushel basket full of golf balls and one club. For the next hour or two, he would hit every conceivable shot that the club was made for, and even a few that it wasn't.

First he would hit balls the regular way. Next, he hit them while facing away from the target area. The, when he was good and bored, he hit them off one leg, with his eyes closed, cross-handed, and any other ridiculous-looking way he could think of.

The result was a golfer who could hit any shot, in any situation, with any club.

Back in the Thumb area, he was to golf, what Minnesota Fats was to pool — a hustler. Many a city golfer would take a look at his short, rather flat backswing, judge it to be technically unsound, and suggest a skin game.

Everybody loves to beat a pro. But in this case, the outcome would be murder. Ott, that was his name, was also an excellent merchandiser. When a particular brand of golf ball, or golf club was not moving well, he would make it his personal choice for the next month.

Most members would eagle-eye his gear and make a bee-line for the pro shop to purchase a similar set-up, knowing full well that it would only be a matter of time before, with their new clubs, they would be hitting the ball as straight and true as the "old pro."

"Remember son," he would tell me when we were in the safety of the pro shop, "it's not the putter, but the puttee that makes the money."

I took his advice to heart, and once I was set up in my own pro shop, and discovered that I had inherited a special hand-to-eye coordination that made me a much better-than-average putter, purchased a large, round putter display.

On it were a couple of dozen putters, of which I chose a different one each week. With diligent practice I could make any of them work, and each time I knocked in a long, curving, left-to-right putt, I could not keep that particular style of putter in stock.

And each time I heard the cash register's bell go ting-a-ling, I thought of Ott and his famous quote, "It's not the putter, but the puttee."

What has all this have to do with hunting and fishing, you ask?

Plenty. Just like golfers, each one of us are guilty of looking for the ultimate flyrod, or duck gun. You know, the one that will guarantee a perfectly placed Hendrickson over that good-sized brown trout that has taken up residence under the wind-blown cedar dangling in the water. Or the smooth-lined automatic that will assure no misses on those tricky bluebills, especially when they're boring down over your left shoulder.

So the next time you are poised in front of the gun counter at your favorite sporting goods store, or just ready to lick shut the

I don't care about the barrel length, or the choke, or the checkering pattern. All I know is that when the feeling is there and the trigger is squeezed, the results are what I like.

mail order form for a new rod and reel, stop for a moment and consider the real reason for your purchase.

Will the new gun stop the problem, or is it the gunner? Will the new rod take care of the drag-free presentation you hope to achieve, or is it the presenter? In other words, is the putter at fault, or is it the puttee?

In my early days of duck hunting, my older brother Lyle was a dead-eye with his Winchester Model 12. I admired him then, and still do today.

As-a-matter-of-fact, he was the finest wingshot I have ever seen. But, through all those years, I somehow believed the magic was in the gun and not the man.

I remember the day as if it were yesterday. Standing at the Army PX counter in Stuttgart, Germany, I passed to the salesman, 3 crisp, new \$20 bills, and becoming the proud owner of a 12 gauge, 30-inch barrel, Winchester Model 12. I didn't even ship it home, but rather carried it religiously to the trap range 3 times during the next year; you know, in order to become familiar with my new duck gun.

I mustered out of the Army in August, and had only 2 short months to wait until I could wreck havoc on the duck population of Fish Point.

But it was not to be. The gun fit me miserably. The drop was not low enough, the choke was too tight for pothole shooting, and I couldn't hit the broad side of a barn with that stupid thing.

You know what I did? I continued to hunt with the Model 12 for the next 8 years. Do you know why? Because my brother could shoot like blazes using the same kind of gun.

"It's not the putter, but the puttee."

I once watched a grubby looking trout fisherman catch a bushel basket full of browns on a 6-foot rod. He even let me try it, and it felt terrible. You guessed it? I went right out and bought myself a 6-foot rod, and hated every minute I used it.

I have since come into ownership of a fine 8-footer, that picks up line like a front loader, and deposits a fly with the same impact created by an angel's tear hitting a spider web. Most people feel I have too much rod for the streams I fish.

But I don't care who who likes it, as long as it catches fish for me.

The same goes for a slightly used over-under I stole from a friend of mine. (I didn't really steal it, but at the price I paid, I should be serving time in Jackson.) This gun now accompanies me in the duck blind, woods, pheasant fields, turkey woodlots, and any other place I plan to hunt.

I don't care about the barrel length, or the choke, or the checkering pattern, all I know is that when the feeling is there and the trigger is squeezed, the results are what I like.

I guess maybe it's not the putter, but the puttee after all.

Credit Union sets meeting

The West Huron Community Credit Union will gather Sunday, March 17 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Local 628 AIW Union Hall, Elkton for their annual meeting.

On the agenda will be a report from officers and committees and the election of directors.

Included in the afternoon will be a drawing, refreshments and prizes.

Thaw brings pursuit of new fish

ICE FISHING HAS SLOWED considerably during the past week. The northern ice, touted by experts to be the best during the late season, blew out more than 10 days ago. While some of it returns at frequent intervals, it is no longer safe for the average fisherman. Witnesses observed some die-hard anglers jumping from floe to floe while trying to find solid ice on which to fish. No perch is worth your life, and should you take a plunge, that life can be lost in minutes.

The spring break up, while sad for perch fishermen, ushers in a new type of fishing. Hordes of trout, both steelheads and browns, and some salmon are waiting anxiously for the bait fish that inhabit the shallows of harbors and stream mouths. Lively action can be found

for small boat fishermen, as well as those who seek piers and wade in the surf. Hot spots a year ago, and should remain the same this year, were the Pinnebog, Port Austin, Grindstone City and Harbor Beach. Both lures, cast from shore or trolled, and live bait, in the form of spawn or wigglers have been the ticket for this type of fishing.

THE RECENT AAA FISHING REPORT has pegged 1985 as being a banner year for steelhead. Ray Schmidt from Manistee, considered by many as the top steelheader in the state, predicts that the spring spawning runs may come a little later than last year, but all indications point to a bumper crop of those silver giants.

For those of you who have never tried to fish for this exciting trophy, here is a list of the best rivers in Michigan: in west Michigan, the Muskegon, St. Joseph and Big and Little Manistee Rivers are rated the best. But any fisherman who neglects to try the Betsie, Pere Parquette, and Platte may be missing some great fishing. On the east side it is the AuGres, AuSable and the Rifle. If the U.P. is to your liking try the Big Cedar and Manistique Rivers along Lake Michigan, the Huron, Rock and Sucker along Lake Superior, and the Carp River along Lake Huron.

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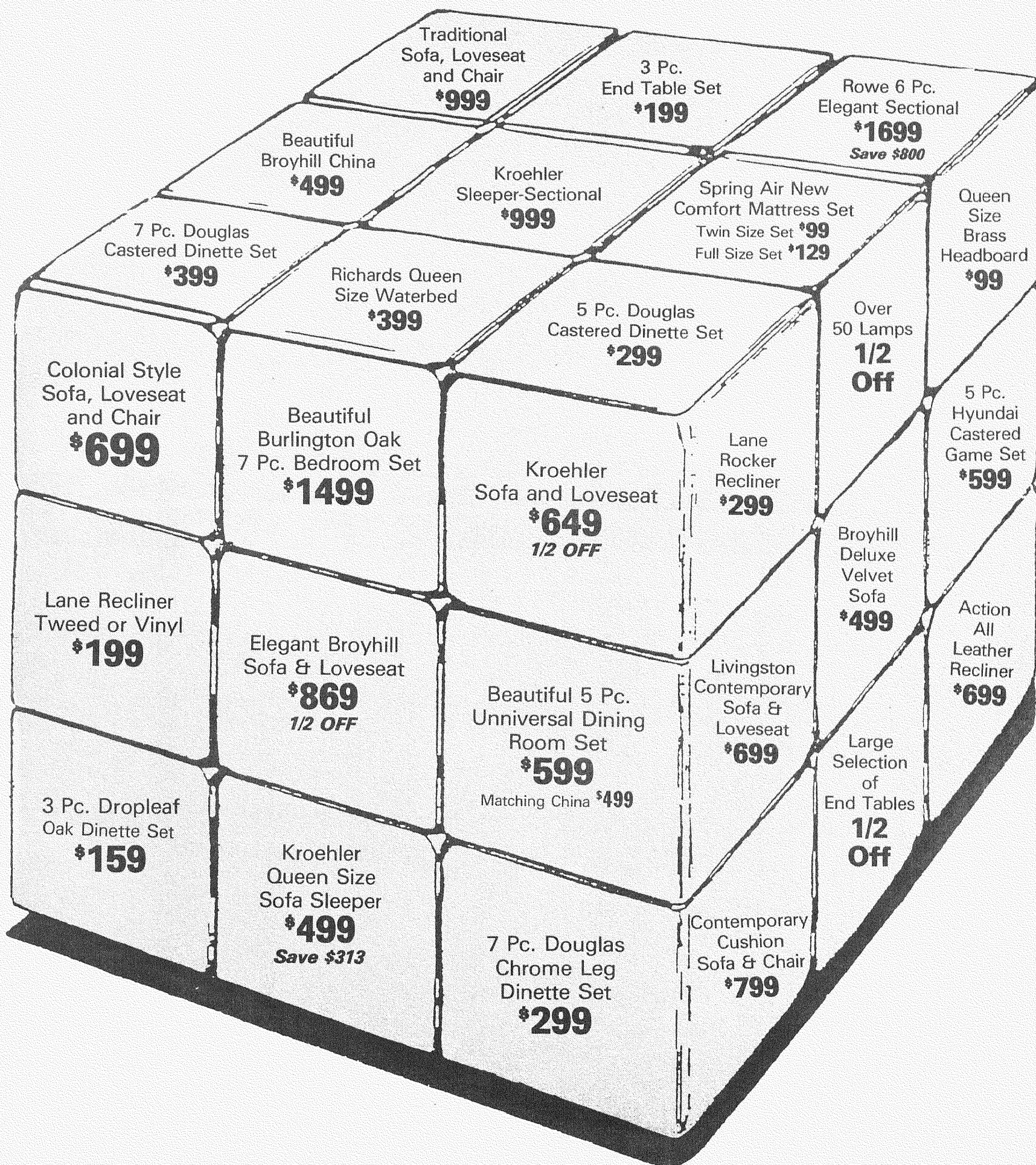
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